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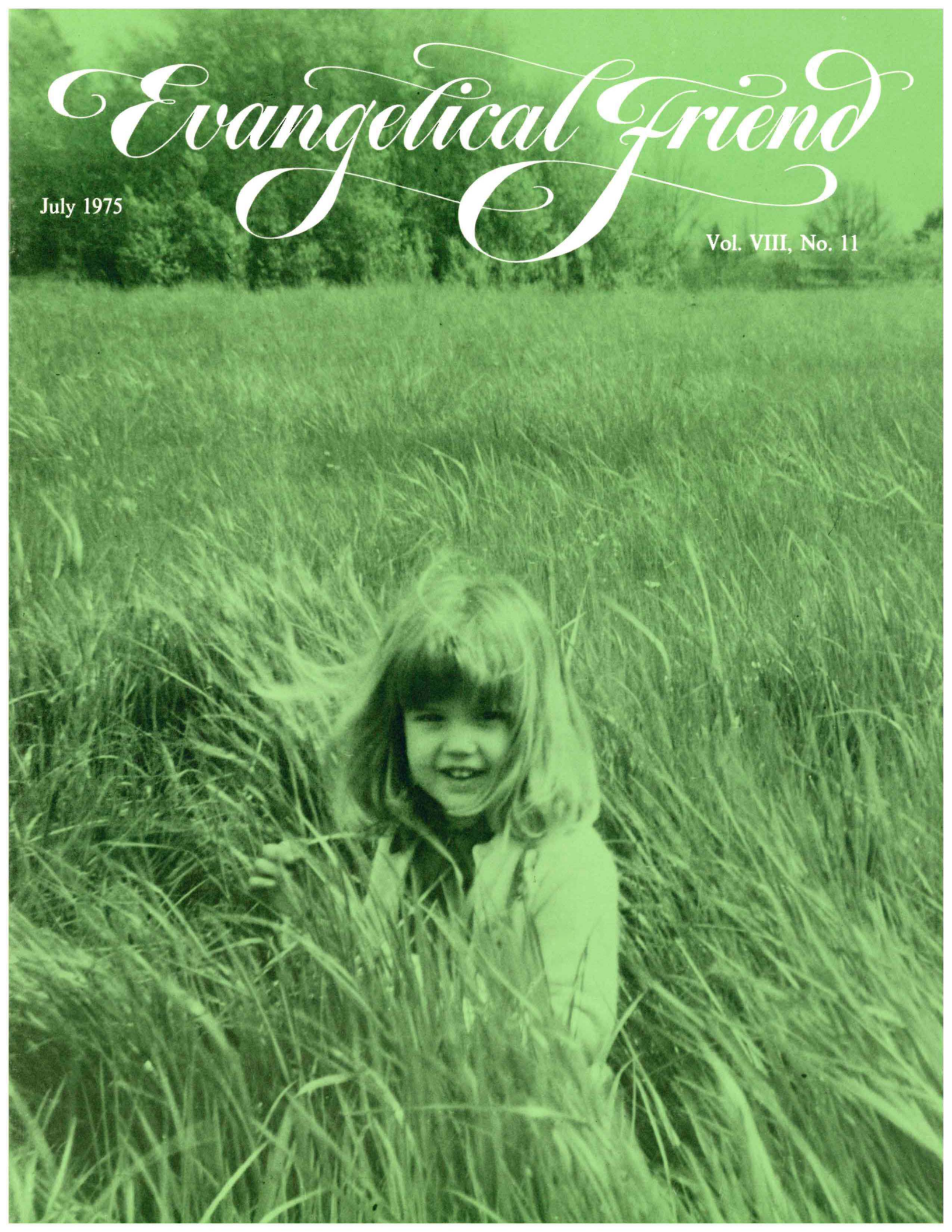
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The Face of the World



The EVANGELICAL FRIEND neither endorses nor necessarily approves subject matter used in Face of the World, but simply tries to publish material of general interest to Friends. —The Editors

WES CONFERS DOCTOR OF DIVINITY DEGREE ON THOMAS H. HERMIZ

PORTLAND, OREGON—In honor of the accomplishments of Thomas H. Hermiz, executive director of the Christian Holiness Association, Western Evangelical Seminary conferred the honorary Doctor of Divinity degree on him at the seminary's 27th annual commencement, Friday, May 16, 1975. The commencement activities were held in the Reedwood Friends Church, Portland, Oregon, and featured Bishop Elmer Parsons of the Free Methodist Church as speaker.

VIETNAM EVACUEES REACH ORIENTATION CENTER

WEIMAR, CALIFORNIA—What is believed to be the first reception/counseling center of its kind for Vietnam evacuees has opened at Weimar, California, about 45 miles north of Sacramento.

The project, sponsored by Food for the Hungry, will provide "help in relocation, job placement, and general orientation to American life," according to Dr. Larry Ward, the organization's president.

The first contingent, numbering 59 in all, arrived here from Camp Pendleton on May 31.

The project utilizes the 420-acre facilities of the erstwhile Weimar Medical Center, which has been renamed Hope Village. —F.H.

LILLY DONATES \$40,000 TO FULLER SCHOOL OF WORLD MISSION

PASADENA, CALIFORNIA — A two-year \$40,000 grant to aid Fuller Seminary's School of World Mission's innovative research program has been announced by Dr. Landrum R. Bolling, executive vice-president of Lilly Endowment, Inc.

The In-service Mission Research Program directed by Dr. Alvin Martin enables national church leaders to participate in graduate studies while continuing to fill key leadership positions in their own countries.

Twenty-four participants from Bangladesh, Brazil, Cameroon, Canada, Egypt, Ethiopia, India, Indonesia, Korea, Mexico, Lebanon, Pakistan, South Africa, and Zambia will benefit from the Lilly grant. —E.P.

GALLUP POLL FINDS ONE FOURTH OF U.S. SENIORS WOULD LEAVE

PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY—One fourth of the nation's college seniors become so disillusioned during their four years of college that they would rather live in another country, according to a recent Gallup Poll survey.

Students in 57 colleges and universities indicated through the research that their political views moved sharply to the left as they advanced from freshman to senior and that their religious beliefs decreased in importance.

The pollsters concluded that instead of teaching collegians how to think, left-leaning faculty members were teaching them what to think as well. —E.P.

SURVEY REPORT ON AMERICAN FAMILY: TROUBLED, BUT STRONG, RESILIENT

NEW YORK—Today's family is "troubled" but it is also "strong and resilient," a major nationwide survey has indicated.

"Individual family members express confidence in the health and well-being of their own families, their ability to work and sacrifice together," concludes a report of the study. "But many are no longer certain that this will be enough to get them through the worsening recession or economic depression, which most feel is likely to come. —E.P.

COED WINS CAMPUS BATTLE AGAINST SMOKING

WATERLOO, ONTARIO—Marion Cooney, a student at Wilfrid Laurier University here, became fed up with suffering from the cigarette fumes this spring and decided to do something about it.

An asthma sufferer, Miss Cooney had to leave some classes when the fumes became too heavy. She surveyed the student body and found out, to the surprise of many, that smokers were in the minority. A similar survey revealed that most of the faculty also were nonsmokers.

She took her case to the president's council. As a result smoking, which had been permitted in classes for years, was banned. Now even some of the professors, who had been in the habit of smoking while lecturing, have to wait until they get back to their offices to satisfy their craving for nicotine. —E.P.

Friends Write



A lady asked me to come to her room so that she might share a Quaker concern. She had just read her June EVANGELICAL FRIEND and had given particular notice to Don Green's article, "Occult Studies." She had nothing but warm approval of the article, but she was concerned about a still younger group that was not mentioned.

She told of a seventh grade girl who was invited to a party to find that those who gathered wanted to play Ouija board. They even invited the "prince of darkness" to come and play with them. Unsuspecting, she joined in and played.

On returning home she told her mother about the experience. When asked whether she knew who the "prince of darkness" is, she was quite uncertain. The mother said it was the devil, Satan, and that the Ouija board game is dangerously unchristian. She took the lesson to heart and refused to participate when the same thing happened again. Another sided with her, and the two of them were completely ostracized.

In referring to *The Mystic Cults* Don Green says that he has found it more applicable for use among junior high students. My friend says a hearty amen to that and wishes fervently that such instruction could be given to even younger ones, the younger the better.

EARL P. BARKER

Newberg, Oregon

Enclosed are seven poems I wrote for a class at George Fox College last spring. I've not seen much poetry in your magazine (except by Arthur Roberts, who is marvelous)—so anyway . . .

I have really enjoyed many of your articles lately, especially Ralph Beebe's articles! He's quite a guy with well-thought-out, well-written ideas. He's a really great person to study under. And the article by Dan McCracken in June's issue was a winner.

God bless, and thanks for the time.

SANDI BROWN

Nehalem, Oregon

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Carefree childhood—a gentle breeze blowing through the tall, cool grass of summer. (Photo by Julie Schwabe.)

Antecedents

By the time many readers receive this issue of the EVANGELICAL FRIEND, another milestone in the Evangelical Friends Alliance will be reached—our second General Conference in Newberg, Oregon. This issue also marks the completion of eight years of publication of the EVANGELICAL FRIEND, one of EFA's major cooperative efforts.

It was in September 1967, after much thought, prayer, study, and planning, that the first EVANGELICAL FRIEND in its present format was published. Since that time it has served as the major vehicle of unification within the Alliance itself. Through its pages of inspiration and concern we have learned to know each other better and to work together more closely.

Several weeks ago our art directors, Stan and Shirley Putman, and I had the privilege of consulting with a talented young Quaker artist, writer, and designer, Paul Lewis, head of the Free Spirit Studios in Julian, California. What a great inspiration to meet together, to critically analyze past issues, and to reach some conclusions on how best to improve the magazine's design and content.

It would be premature to reveal our conclusions, but we promise you delightful and obvious changes in the months to come.

We are thrilled with the future of the magazine as a continuing communication vehicle for the EFA. Pray with us as refreshing new ideas are put into print. —H.T.A.

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National Conference on Pastoral Ministry

A creative ministries event titled "A National Conference on Pastoral Ministry" is scheduled in Dallas, Texas, on April 26-29, 1976. A joint committee from the Evangelical Friends Alliance and Friends United Meeting is planning the gathering, which will be hosted in the facilities of Dunfey's Royal Coach Motor Hotel.

This will be the first time in history for pastoral leaders from FUM and EFA to gather for such an event. Friends pastors will feel the primary appeal of this conference, but it is an open gathering for other persons who may share in pastoral care and nurture of the local meeting.

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The purpose of this gathering is to have a positive affirming experience together in Christ as the group seeks for the deeper meanings of authentic ministry. In order to accomplish this purpose the Planning Committee has adopted four central goals: to foster an encouraging fellowship, to develop a sense of teamwork among Friends ministers, to recognize the high calling to pastoral ministry, and to provide practical helps for this ministry.

In helping persons to understand with greater clarity the Dallas gathering, the committee states that it is not another Faith and Life Conference and it is not held to debate the pastoral system.

The conference is scheduled to begin with a Monday evening dinner and conclude on Thursday noon. There are two optional packages being made available in addition to the basic conference. The first is a 24-hour period of prayer preceding the conference. The second option consists of a number of postconference activities for Thursday afternoon and evening.

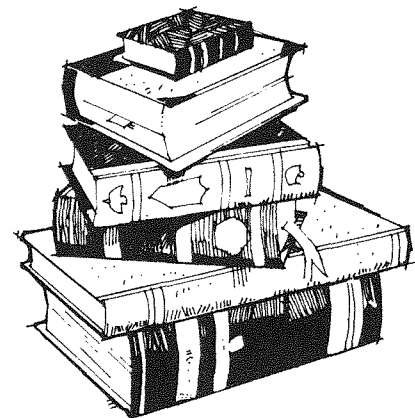
The Dallas Conference format will consist of the plenary gatherings for keynote national speakers, workshops of 20 to 30 in a group, and meetings of small *family type* groups of about ten persons. The major areas of pastoral ministry that will be handled in this three level cycle are *evangelism*—reaching persons; *equipping*—nurturing; *commissioning*—teaming; and *enabling*—encouraging.

The Planning Committee is stimulating each yearly meeting to raise a fund that would help to underwrite the "on-site" expenses of pastoral leaders from their yearly meeting, and recommending that local meetings pledge the travel expense for the pastor and/or persons attending from their own meeting. In addition, there is a move to raise some supplemental funds for the overall travel cost.

The Planning Committee under the cochairmanship of Russell Myers and Wayne Allman is attempting to make costs as reasonable as possible. Registration fees to underwrite the expenses of publicity, arrangements, and guest leaders will be \$15 a person or \$20 for a husband and wife. Double-room occupancy per night will be \$13 a person. Costs of the two conference dinners (amount not yet negotiated) will be due with the registration fee. All other meals can be taken either in the hotel or in the vicinity restaurants. The Royal Coach will provide free limousine service to and from airports and will provide conference meeting rooms without charge. Therefore, in addition to the registration fee, the "on-site" costs for the basic conference will be about \$75 for each person.

Information folders and registration forms will be made available later. □

Books



Anna B. Mow, Your Child from Birth to Rebirth, Zondervan Publishing House, 182 pages, \$.95.

Aimed at parents and teachers, this book discusses educating the child to be ready for a life with God when the time for decision comes to him. "... his parents cannot go to school for him, they cannot get married for him, they cannot do his life work for him, they cannot have an experience of God for him. They only *get him ready* for these responsibilities of life which he must go through himself."

Some of the areas covered are building a loving relationship in the home and church and Sunday school, helping the child develop imagination that will enlarge to faith, learning to make choices and accept responsibility, disciplining the mind, learning reverence and Christian character.

It is good reading for anyone desiring to be a channel through which the loving Spirit of the Father moves toward the hearts of children and youth.

—M. Minthorne

David V. Benson, A New Look at Colossians, Creation House, 75 pages, \$1.25.

David V. Benson is president of Russia for Christ, Inc., an evangelistic organization. He is a graduate of UCLA and Fuller Theological Seminary and has done graduate study at Harvard and in France.

The book would be good in small group discussion and in Bible studies. It could be used in Sunday school classes or other learning situations, preferably for upper high school and older.

The thought content of the book is interesting. The author's accounts of distributing the Gospel in Russia illustrate Paul's emphasis upon the freedom found only in Christ, regardless of the political or sociological system.

The book is not a verse-by-verse study but is five chapters long and deals with themes from the book of Colossians.

—Earl H. Tycksen

We are all in the same boat

Our church is sponsoring 15 Vietnamese refugees (three families), who arrived some weeks ago from Camp Pendleton, via Guam and the Philippines. Arriving in Portland after nearly six weeks of tent living in a Marine camp, they found the large home our meeting had prepared for them—its privacy, cleanliness, a degree of independence for family life, all this an enormous, immediate relief.

Reading the papers, watching newscasts, and listening to the overwhelming statistics of thousands crowded into ill-equipped-for-the-purpose military bases is quite different from becoming totally responsible for a few families who have fled their homes, who are now looking not merely to the U.S. for refuge, but who, under the sponsorship plan, now depend upon *us* for almost everything. How to live in a different country, English lessons, how to find the post office, schools, ride the busses, housing, clothing, shopping (and the money to buy essentials), and most urgent of all, how to find a job—these past two weeks have been a difficult and delicate learning experience for all of us . . . and them.

Now is not the time to debate again whether or not the U.S. should ever have been in South Vietnam, nor even whether or not the refugees should have come. That is over and they are here. The major wrong committed by these three families was that they trusted their government—and ours! They trusted, too, the American “presence” in their country to the point of renting their houses to them and otherwise working together with them. Having some property and being professional people (physicians and pharmacists), they were convinced they could not survive in Saigon.

In 1954, they began their flight for safety, first from Hanoi to the south. Eventually, they found only one place left to go. One of the fathers explains (about those last few days), “We had not been able to get a flight out of the country even after waiting and sleeping at the airport for three days with the

crowds. My intention was to get our three daughters out (ages 12, 15, and 20), and if that failed, we would find a boat and get to sea hoping to be picked up or deliberately drown.”

From our side of this experience, it has been close to an all-out effort, with more of our congregation cooperating in a single project than in anything else attempted—furniture, bedding, kitchen utensils, food, special offerings, and . . . time. You see, every move these people make for the first few days requires assistance as they operate in an atmosphere of strain, not only trying to communicate across the language barrier but also facing cultural differences just as baffling.

Examples: “Oh, only the oldest among us will buy the groceries . . . that is our custom.” “What name do we call you? You see, we never use the last name, except first, and the wife always keeps her maiden name and that is pronounced last!” “What is a pancake? Do you eat it with fork, spoon, or knife?” “When is it proper to shake hands? Do you shake hands with everyone regardless of sex, age, marital status, or length of friendship?” “Will you please sit with us at your church so we may know what is to be done?” “Oh, we feel to be such a trouble to you, such a bother; please, just help us find work so we can be less bother.” “You are so kind, so good. Don’t hurry away until we have made you a cup of tea . . . this is our custom.” “What does ‘Quaker’ mean? [Answer: “Christians who particularly care for others, and who love God.”] Oh, you . . . Quakers are . . . you are too good to us. Yes, you spoil us!”

But they have already encountered some Americans who are not “too good” to them. They happened to reach Portland the same month that another set of statistics show the highest unemployment in 30 years, and they have limited skills for competing in this market. Their unusual social sensitivity and graces are not greatly appreciated in our “free enterprise” economy, anymore than they were in the Vietnamese version of the totalitarian state. (The 15-year-old daughter plays classical music on the piano; all the six teenagers of the three families speak three languages conversationally, so they are certainly different than what seems to be the normal American mental picture of foreigners as being culturally inferior.)

The plight of these people is desperate. There are thousands without sponsors, and given the possibility that some of these are less desirable than others, all I can say is that the ones we have known are very deserving and gracious people. There are at least 20 families of Christian refugees whom the World Relief Commission hopes to place among

Friends, plus plenty more who have not had exposure to Christianity. (The three families in our community do not have a Christian background.) It is generally known that while most Americans take some pride in tracing their ancestry to immigrant status, when another new group arrives there is general resentment. Only a few Quakers in World War II opened their homes and hearts to the so-called “Japs” among us, *none* of whom were ever found to be foreign spies.

How fine it would be if Friends could rise again to this challenge in a consistent, sacrificial way. Can we conscientiously do otherwise? Or practically? The *Atlanta Constitution* carried a comment that seems appropriate: “People who refuse to get involved in the problems of their community are like the two shipwrecked men in a lifeboat. From their end of the boat, the pair watched as those at the other end bailed frantically to keep the boat afloat. One said to the other, ‘Thank heaven, the hole is not in our end of the boat.’”

There are more than 200 Friends meetings in the EFA, and we are all in the same boat.*

—J.L.W.

**If any meeting or individual wants further information about how to become a sponsor, please address the editor.*

What can a church do for the mentally retarded?

In every congregation of 300, there are probably at least nine with moderate or severe mental retardation (according to the National Association for Retarded Citizens). Like anyone, mentally retarded persons need and have a right to love, understanding, and an opportunity to live as useful, productive individuals. The Friends belief in the value of all persons and in God’s redemptive concern for all should compel us to reach out in love to meet the special needs of each of our mentally retarded brothers, sisters, and children. There are ways being found by some congregations to respond to these boys and girls, young men and women, or adults and senior citizens with real spiritual potential, seeing them not as just people with a handicap but as persons who with understanding and acceptance can become a real part of the family of Friends. They too can know that God loves them and that God’s people care.

Sometimes we really don’t know these people, even about them. Families may

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Help us to listen

BY LAUREN A. KING

I AM A LAYMAN and have been for over 70 years, in Methodist, Evangelical, Congregational, Wesleyan, Presbyterian, and Friends churches. I have also listened to sermons from a good many other denominational types. I have had more contact with ministers through their sermons than in any other way, and I suppose most laymen have mostly sermon contact with ministers. Also, I have taught the art of communication for over 40 years, and that includes sermons. So it has seemed to me that I might properly say something to ministers about sermons.

Ministers have one chief problem with sermons: the laymen. You see, we don't listen well. And we need your help, your help in our listening. That's what I want to talk about here.

Lauren A. King, now retired and living in Norwich, Ohio, taught the art of communication for over 40 years. He was formerly a professor at Malone College in Canton, Ohio. "Help Us To Listen" is adapted from a talk he gave to the Ministers Institute of the Evangelical Friends Church—Eastern Region on April 4. Although he questions whether "a paper addressed to ministers would interest laymen," the editors are sure this article will be of like interest to both pastors and laymen, and perhaps of equal benefit.

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No, we don't listen well. Dean Inge once remarked that preaching was like lining up a bunch of narrow-necked bottles and then standing off and trying to fill them by throwing a bucket of water over them. Very little got in.

In fact, we sometimes don't hear you at all. We are distracted by something about us during the service—a face, a motion, a color. Robert Burns has a little poem about a time he went to church and saw a louse walking the rim of a fine lady's hat. He got a poem out of the service, but not the sermon. Besides, we bring distractions with us—a headache, plans for vacation, the note due next week, a disappointment, a memory, a fear. The list is endless. And

where we have opinions, we hear what sounds like what we believe. But we just let slip through the cracks what is strange or opposed to our own beliefs. And what we come away with as an understanding of what you have said, you wouldn't recognize as yours, not even on a sunny, bright day.

Worse yet, if what you have to say is too far from where we stand at the moment, we just refuse to listen—not unconsciously this time, but consciously. What you are saying calls for change, and we don't want to change. Change is expensive; it hurts. So we say—under our breath usually—"No way." Though once I did see a man stand up in service and say it.

The parable of the four soils ought to tell you the same thing: three of those kinds of people had listening trouble. The first didn't listen—or understand—at all. The second didn't hear the fine print, or maybe the minister didn't give it. At any rate, they didn't notice how much it costs to be a Christian. And the third kind quit listening after a while. They had some distractions.

So I say, you ministers have a problem: we laymen don't listen—at least not well. You will have to make it easier for us. You will have to help us. And here are some ideas I have about how to do that.

First, a couple of don'ts. For one, stay away from things that turn us off. Take hobbies, for instance. I once sat under a man whose hobby was child labor. Every sermon ended, somehow, on child labor. Abraham, Moses, Elijah, Jonah, Peter, baptism, faith, hope, and especially love—they all had some connection with child labor. So when he came to that part of the sermon—which should have been the best, the climax—we turned him off. You could hear the hearing aids click all over the place. Favorite expressions, words, stories have something of the same effect. We "bleep" them out and in the process may lose a whole paragraph.

For the second, stay away from things that draw attention to you rather than to what you are saying. If a speaker were to get up sporting his two upper front teeth capped in pure gold and set with



so you become just a noise out there, and we are busy with our distraction. Sometimes, too, we don't understand what you are saying, and so we tune you out. You read a great deal—often some pretty heavy books with very large words in them, specialists' words from theology or philosophy or psychology. We don't read such books, most of us. And so words that are perfectly familiar to you are strangers to us. I once had an earnest, uneducated woman ask me, "Did you understand what he was saying this morning?" I thought I did. She said, "I didn't get a thing he was saying." And I knew she tried.

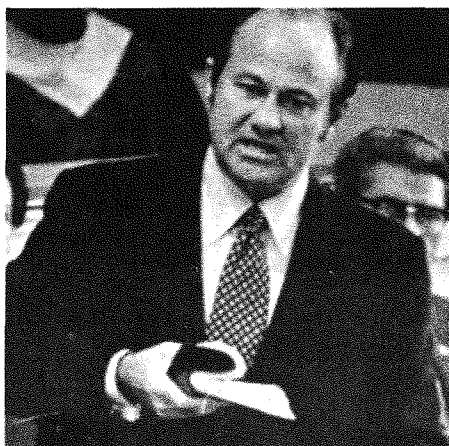
And sometimes we mishear what you say. You see, we bring to your sermons a set of beliefs, opinions, understandings of our own. When you talk in an area

**"Anything you have
to say that is
good and
valuable
will come through
in simple words."**

diamonds, you would hardly get any sparkle from his words. But any item of clothing can do the same thing—either too "sharp" or too dowdy or wrinkled.

Then there are gestures. Gestures are to help the words. If they are too mannered or large or inappropriate (a fist with a passage on gentleness, for instance), they distract.

The tone of voice may turn us off. Not so many ministers err in this matter as once did, but there are some who still think, apparently, that speaking from the pulpit calls for a voice color and pitch that is "holy" and not at all like their normal speech. And that special



tone distracts or turns off many of us laymen.

Just a suggestion, but try asking your wife—your most involved listener—to watch for any of these distracters. And if she has gotten too used to you to be

a good listener anymore, try the children. They'll tell you.

Now for three do's. First, do get some structure into what you are saying. Last Easter I was far away in a strange church listening to a good, earnest, educated minister say a number of fine things. But I could not see any line of progress in what he was saying. Now he was here, next he was there, then he was yonder. And I could not tell why he went that way or how he got there.

The minister should have had one central idea that he was trying to communicate, a theme that he could—had he been asked—have expressed in one or two clear sentences. And he should have had only a few—three or four—sub-points to support that central idea. He should have put them in a clear order, one that marched, that went and didn't eddy about like a current lost in a puddle. We laymen, if we are to listen well, must be led by the hand along a clear, hedged path, and not left to fight our way through a cedar swamp.

Second, be simple in words and sentences. C. M. S. Joad once remarked that there were two sources of obscurity in communication. One was the inherent, unavoidable difficulty of the subject itself, however great or small that might be. Then there was the obscurity introduced into the matter by the writer or speaker. It's that second kind that you can do something about. So use language as simple as you can for what you have to say.

If you must use the big specialists' words, use only a few. And explain them carefully. Illustrate them. Give examples. Surround them with helps for understanding. You would be surprised how many specialized words occur in the average sermon—generally clear perhaps to us church-going types but pure Eskimo to any not of the "in" group. And even we churchly folk—try us once for a really good definition of, say, *regeneration* that is understandable to a neighbor who has never put foot in church.

When I was a boy on the farm, we had both sheep and cattle. And we had tall mangers for the cattle, low racks for the sheep. You see, we had to get the

hay down to the sheep—and the lambs. You have to do that too. Anything you have to say that is good and valuable will come through in simple words, just as a beautiful piece of wood doesn't have to be painted with three coats of green enamel. Just clear varnish will do.

Long, involved sentences, too, can't be got on the run. In writing, yes, for the reader can go back and look again. But a spoken sentence goes past once, zip. If we listeners try to go back to listen to it



again, three or four following sentences have meanwhile zipped past. And we are lost—for the moment at least.

Finally, be concrete, use details. That is, use words that we can smell and taste and feel, not so many of the words that involve ideas, mental things that can only be moved around in our minds. And generalities are poorer than details. For example, *bright color* is not as good as *scarlet*. When you speak of a warm day, you must make us feel the warmth along our backs, see the little waves shimmering up from the road, wipe away the skin of sweat across our lip, and look around for a drink of water from a glass that has beads of dew on the outside. Abstract words—the idea words—are for those who have an IQ over 120, the psychologists told me. But the rest of us have trouble with them. And we are considerably in the majority.

So will you help us to listen, please. I hope that some of what I have said will help you help us. □

A FRIENDLY FORMULA FOR A HAPPY MARRIAGE



Everyone is for happy marriages. Every church has wonderful young people either newly married or preparing for marriage. Two hundred and forty-two weddings in our present pastorate and countless counseling sessions before and after the weddings have left me with several conclusions as to why some marriages work and others fail. So often Friends look to other organizations and systems for help when in reality our heritage has left us well equipped to be of real service in this area.

One of the practices of Friends that made a lasting impression upon me as I was growing up in a Friends meeting is the Friends way of doing business. Votes were not taken. It was the responsibility of each in the meeting to seek the mind of the Lord. When all hearts were in unity, the clerk declared the fact to be so, and it was recorded in the minutes. This removed the personal aspect from the matter. Instead of seeking our own way, we seek God's will, and who can be offended at this? This tends to remove the personal animosities that result when a majority wins and a minority are left defeated and seeking grace enough to accept the verdict.

This same formula and procedure has a great relevance in the area of the happy marriage. Many couples that I counsel are in conflict over authority. The battle lines are soon drawn: my car, my money, my kitchen, my house. I often sit and marvel how these young people, who recently sat in my office so starry eyed, now are so expert at hurting one another. How can this be? Were they not in love? The answer lies in the basic formula for marriage.

The first step in the formula is that Christ must become the head of the home. Both partners must accept this and bend every effort to seeking God's will, not their own. When all problems, whether it be budget, relatives, occupations, or anything else, are solved in the light of God's will, not mine, the personal contest of will is minimized.

But there is more to the formula. The relationship of marriage is the most per-

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sonal arrangement on this earth. Two individuals are suddenly thrown into close contact for long periods of time. Something must happen to the husband and wife beyond seeking God's will. The answer is found in Genesis, as God instructs Adam and Eve, and in Matthew and Mark, as Jesus instructs His disciples. Jesus said that when two people marry they are to become *one person*. This is the neglected verse in Scripture as it applies to marriage. When two people marry and become one person, how can one have authority over the other? This is a beautiful concept, and we need to explore deeply and patiently what is meant by becoming one person.

I know some couples who have discovered its meaning and have become one person. Some even grow to look like one another over the years. How wonderful to be one with another, physically, emotionally, mentally, and spiritually—one person, seeking guidance from the head of the home, Christ Jesus.

Even so, there is much misconception on what becoming one person means. Some feel that this means giving up one's individuality, but nothing could be further from the truth. Only in oneness can each partner obtain full Christian potential. Each partner's strengths augment the other's until each individual becomes a greater and better person than before. It is

the attitude of oneness that is so wonderful. I remember once calling my wife from a garage after learning our old Kaiser needed a valve job. It was going to cost \$40, and in those days that was all the money there was. But it was our car, our money, our budget, our emergency, and even though Elenita's greatest interest in the world was not valves, it was a decision to work out together because we were one person. I had no right to make this decision or to give orders to my spouse, for we were one person, seeking God's will in every problem of life.

I would not give the impression that this is a simple formula. There are times when self breaks through and confession and forgiveness must follow. But after years of trying the "Friendly Formula," it has become easier and more automatic. After 30 years, discussion often isn't even needed, for we already know what the other is thinking. Coming to unity becomes easier through the years.

Friends do have the answer. It is scriptural, it is practical, and it can work, not only for newlyweds but for every stage of marriage. Many of the present philosophies can only fail because they automatically set one person against the other. Let husband and wife seek to make Christ the head of the home and proceed with the process of becoming one person. □



By MARIE HAINES

"Escape for your lives! There is no time to lose! The Hessians are coming!" A man on horseback pounded on the door of the farmhouse and shouted his warning. Then he rode on to the next house and repeated his warning.

The rider came to Red Bank farm in New Jersey. A family of Quakers lived at Red Bank. They knew the meaning of war. Fort Mercer was right on the edge of their farm. Fort Mercer was manned by Frenchmen. They were helping the colonists fight for their independence. On this day there were only 400 men at the fort. The rider said there were 1,200

lose. Your house is but half a musket shot from the fort."

The family at Red Bank quickly got a few things together in their wagon and started to leave.

"Come on, Grandma," one of the children urged, "we have to hurry."

"I am not going," Ann Whitall said quietly.

They all looked at her in alarm.

"Do not be foolish, Mother. We have no time to waste."

"I am staying here," Ann said firmly.

"Come, Ann," her husband pleaded.

"Thee knows this is no safe place in time

decided to continue her testimony against war in the basement. She took her spinning wheel down there and went on with her spinning.

All day the battle raged. All day Ann continued to spin. The brave 400 succeeded in driving the Hessians back to another town. Many on both sides were left wounded and dying.

Men began bringing the wounded to the farmhouse. They went into the cellar and begged Ann Whitall to come and help them take care of the sick. They needed bandages, medicines, and hot water.

A testimony against war . . . Ann Whitall



Hessians on the way to capture the fort.

The Quaker family living at Red Bank farm wished America to be governed by the colonists. They did not like the way England had been taxing them. But they believed war was the wrong answer for getting independence. They did not think it right to kill other men no matter how greatly you felt you were wronged. The Lord would help right the wrong if people would only trust Him.

"Hurry, hurry!" the almost breathless rider warned. "There is not a moment to

of battle. Thee will be shot and killed or wounded."

"God's arm is strong. He will protect me. I may do some good by staying."

"What good can thee do? Thou art but an old woman."

"God has told me to stay," Ann was not moved. "Mayhap there will be wounded to care for."

No amount of pleading could change Ann's mind. Precious time was being wasted. Reluctantly the rest of the family drove away.

Ann went upstairs and sat down at her spinning wheel. Shots soon began to fall like rain around the house. Still she sat spinning as unconcerned as if it were only raining. Then a 12-pound cannon ball crashed through the house. It lodged in the rafters above Ann's head. She

Ann was kindhearted. Carefully, she treated the sick and suffering soldiers. But all the time she scolded them for fighting.

"Open thy mouth and take this medicine, thou bad and wicked man. Why does thee fight?"

"Cannot people walk less heavily on the floors?" a soldier complained. "My head hurts."

"Thee need not complain. Thee brought thy troubles on thyself," Ann said tartly.

The rest of the family returned after the battle. They helped Ann care for the wounded. Friend and foe were given the same kind treatment. However, the French commander at the fort was not grateful to the Quakers.

"Why did you not shoulder a musket and help us defend the fort instead of

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URBAN MINORITY MINISTRY

running away?" he demanded angrily.

"The Lord bids us to love our enemies and not to kill," James Whitall replied. "War does not settle disputes. It only kills and cripples and leaves bad feelings."

"Your neighbors talk no such nonsense," the commander replied. He could not understand the Quaker way of thinking. "You are Tories. You helped the king. Burn down their barns," he ordered his men.

The Whitalls watched as their barns burned and their orchards were destroyed. They made no protest.

"The Lord understands even if these do not," Ann said quietly.

Later when Lafayette, the great French general, visited this country, he wanted to see Fort Mercer. The same commander who had defended the fort was showing him around. He suggested they call on James Whitall.

"This man is a little of a Tory. I was obliged to burn his barns and knock down his orchards. I am sure, though, that he will be glad to see the great Marcus de Lafayette."

James Whitall was not glad to see Lafayette. He would not lift his head to look at him. He went right on cleaning vegetables. Lafayette tried to talk to him, but he would not answer.

"Thus he bore his testimony against war," says the historian, Benson Lossing.

Many Quakers were sent to jail because they would not swear allegiance to the new government. It was the same as in George Fox's time. They believed the Lord when He commanded them to "swear not at all." They were willing to promise their allegiance but not to swear. This did not satisfy the governors.

Quakers were so opposed to war and all who took part in it that they refused to decorate their houses or celebrate at the close of the war. They were fined a great deal of money because of this. When they refused to pay the fines, they were put in jail.

James and Ann Whitall died before the members of the Society of Friends had recovered from the sufferings they had endured for conscience' sake during those terrible years. □



BY RUSSELL D. WEATHERSPOON

An urban pastor was a guest speaker at our suburban church. A man deeply committed to his city congregation and the city itself, he quoted Revelation 21:2 recalling the moment the apostle John saw "the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven," and

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he reminded us that our final abode would be a city. He did not suggest that there is anything heavenly about contemporary cities and their obvious problems of overcrowding, crime, anonymity, pollution, unresponsive government. But new Jerusalem will be a city, and in that light he appealed to us not to write off what now prefigures that coming home.

Since the turbulent sixties the cities and particularly the minorities that dwell in them have been increasingly held up for scrutiny to the disgust of some and the curiosity of others. It is not surprising, therefore, that there has been a growing interest among suburban evangelicals in urban minority ministry. Indeed some who read this may already be

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involved in such an endeavor or may be casting about for ways of entering the picture. Because much of the present interest is fostered by the media, evangelicals must ask two questions before engaging in action: (1) What are the right reasons for such an engagement in minority ministry? (2) How does one begin?

Part of the answer to both of these questions is prayer—that “something needs to be done,” or “someone needs to minister in this particular area” is not enough of a reason for you in particular to do that something or to be that ministering someone. One begins to consider minority ministry, like anything else in the Christian life, through prayer. Jesus highlights the fact that it would have logically seemed Elijah should have met the needs of Israelite widows during the famine and Elisha the needs of Israelite lepers, but God’s plans were otherwise (Luke 4:23-27). First ask God to make His will plain in your case since He has many people to choose from to do His bidding. (It is good to add that our desire or lack of it to do a task is not a good indicator here. Remember Jonah.)

And even if such a task is for you, God may not mean it for you now. Jesus was bound for a city, Jerusalem, but He was due to arrive only after several years of suburban ministry. Paul and Silas would have gone to Bithynia but were prevented by the Spirit of God (Acts 16:7).

Since we have the mind of Christ, through prayer let us exercise that mind.

Again and again over the last ten years it has been pointed out that white Americans have practiced injustice against the nation’s minorities, particularly the Indians and Blacks. Although this is a serious truth, is your seeking a ministry to minorities an attempt to “atone” for the events of the recent or historical past? If so, this is the wrong avenue for such an outworking of guilt.

Race relations, although an outstanding American problem, is not as much an issue as the salvation of others, as the healing of wounds so easily inflicted by the city upon its residents, especially the minorities. The focus is upon the needs of others. Penance, while of merit under other circumstances, has no place here.

Of equally little value is the motivation that part of the “minority problem” is that, culturally speaking, “they’re not like the rest of us.” Missionaries today are acutely aware of the need to present Christ and His love and not culture. Does the desire to spread culture figure at all in your plans to minister?

Assuming that God is indeed calling you to such a ministry, where would you begin?

The first place to look for such work is your own church. Review: Is your fellowship ministering to its community and the resident minority people? Is it reaching the needs of the local community? (This is a pointed question for those of us who commute on Sunday to worship.) Remember, there is no special merit in presenting Christ to an urbanite as opposed to a suburbanite. Both, although having differing social needs, are equally spiritually lost. If the church needs to be “less a respecter of persons,” perhaps this is the place to begin. If all is in order there, then we can look to the cities.

The first temptation might be to set up a booth of some sort on a corner and distribute literature, or to have an open-air meeting with the Word preached in a downtown park, or to arrange for a concert by a Christian group, or even door-to-door canvassing. Although these would undoubtedly spark a great deal of interest and result in the conversion of some people, it would probably be best to choose an area in the city where an evangelical fellowship exists and to consult the believers there who may take you on as extra help.

This scheme may not be immediately appealing because we desire “to get right down to work.” Or perhaps we did not think of being under the wing of another group and certainly not as a mere helper but as a spearhead of our own activities. Upon closer inspection, however, this procedure reveals the following advantages. The local believers can give deep insight into neighborhood problems. For instance, if you are white it would be good to know if many of the residents are Black Muslims (who believe among other things that all white people are devils and in league with Satan).

The church can advise you of their present efforts so that your group doesn’t double up on their work. What is more important, when you work with local believers your witness gains credibility since they themselves are area residents. Moreover, you cannot be easily reached in a crisis, whereas the local believer can. (There is, of course, the obvious point that the new believer needs a fellowship to belong to and a suburban one, because of distance, is ruled out.)

After all these qualifying statements, someone may be doubting their usefulness in urban minority ministry. To such a reader may I point out that *your* presence adds another kind of credibility simply because although you are different from Jose Rodriguez who lives

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there you are still a believer. Christ’s cause is strengthened by your willingness to work with and be guided by Jose in that work.

Finally, our childhood and, through the media, our adulthood are saturated with stereotypes not the least of which are racial (Aunt Jemima, *Good Times*, *Chico and the Man*). Compare the stereotypes of minority people with actual minority people you know. The real people differ in countless ways and in many ways are just like you.

To review then: (1) Seek God’s mind on this activity as in everything. (2) Evaluate your motives. (3) Review your own church outreach. (4) Get in league with an operating urban fellowship.

We would do well as children of God to remember that we constitute a minority ourselves. □

Fun and games in Mexico City

or how to follow the leader at 8000 feet

By HENRY HARVEY



Mexico City was not aware and probably did not care that on the first weekend of May five Midwestern Americans paid their initial visits to that great cultural mecca nestled nearly 8,000 feet above sea level on what was once an island.

I arrived on Thursday from Wichita, Kansas, and on Saturday Dick, Mary Ann, Jeff, and Barry Martens were scheduled to arrive by train from Guadalajara, where they have been studying Spanish preparatory to serving alongside Roscoe and Tina Knight in Mexico City beginning in September of this year.

As a member of the EFA Missions Commission, I was trying to get to the city while both families were together.

Henry Harvey of Kansas Yearly Meeting recently visited EFA mission work in Mexico City. Henry Harvey is president of the Central Africa Broadcasting Company (CABCO) and is much in demand for mission conferences. He recently completed 25 years of work on radio and TV in the Wichita area.

With over 12 million people now reported to be living in Mexico City, they were not going to notice a few folks from Iowa and Kansas.

But some of them did.

It was a privilege to see the Martenses meeting their future congregation for the first time and watching God work as they developed a Christian love affair with the body of believers.

They couldn't help it.

May 1 was Labor Day in Latin America with the entire weekend spent observing that holiday just as we do in America—leaving town for resorts, lakes, and beaches. That helped relieve traffic as we did some sight-seeing and souvenir seeking.

Even before I unpacked my bags Thursday evening, Roscoe invited me to make calls with him. These must be made late because the men there work later than in this country.

So off to Pedro's we went. A television film maker, Pedro is not yet yielded to God. He is thinking about it. Knights go to the home since there is no

church. At Ruben's home we found a solid Christian, a serious man who carries his Bible to work daily and has for years. Ruben hopes they will soon have a church in which to meet.

Friday night calls included a visit and a meal at Noah's. His wife accepted Christ while visiting her sister in Oklahoma City, and while following up after her conversion, Knights helped lead Noah to the Lord. Noah would like to have a church.

Saturday morning the Martenses completed their overnight train ride from Guadalajara.

Saturday afternoon youth meetings are conducted in a borrowed home where as many as 40 attend, but only 17 were left from the great holiday exodus. These youngsters are hungry to study the Word of God and can locate Scriptures instantly. They are great singers too.

Sunday morning services are held in another section of the city with an entirely different group of believers. There were about 30 of all ages present, and a young visitor brought the message. Sunday night we returned to the home where Saturday's youth group met. There were 36 souls in a room approximately 12' x 12' with plenty of room for the Holy Spirit, whose presence was evident in every gathering. What a thrill to be with those who love to sing praises to God! Tina accompanies the singing with her accordion. And, oh, the spiritual inexplicability of singing "How Great Thou Art" in English while everyone else sang it in Spanish. Pastor Manuel Guzman and Roscoe spoke.

But we all understood.

In addition to these services, weekly Bible studies are conducted and more are planned. These too are in the homes because there is no church.

But there *is* a church.

It is in the hearts and souls of the believers. Where does God want to go from here? Can we help? Will we help?

There was a time for fun and games in Mexico City, and I was grateful for the opportunity of fellowshiping with the two missionary families and especially the body of believers.

I was glad to have been in the house of the Lord even if it was borrowed. □

His wonderful grace

BY NORMAN CHEN

"Thus saith the Lord God to these bones, 'Behold, I will cause breath to enter you that you may come to life . . . ' and the breath came into them, and they came to life, and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army." (Ezekiel 37:1-10)

In 1957 a tired mother who had a diseased son too ill to be healed by doctors put her hope in "the God of Christianity." How wonderful it was! Although the boy seemed to be dead, yet he was miraculously saved through the earnest prayer of a pastor and a Christian layman. Thus the God of Christianity became the personal God of this mother.

This mother's son "was dead, and had begun to live, was lost, and had been found." It excited and filled her heart with thanksgiving. In spite of the idle talk of neighbors, in plain view of relatives and friends she took her husband and children, including my young brother who had been healed, into the gate of the church.

From then on, my mother, uneducated as she was, began to perceive some educational principles that many educators are not aware of. She put the fear of God into the hearts of her children. Being only in second grade, I was expected to attend Sunday school each week, also to copy two pages of the Bible afterwards. During summer and winter vacations, I had to copy one page every day. This was done for many years, even to the present. Above all, she knew how to commit her children to God and let Him be their teacher. She still knows how to pray for them, having kept it up for more than ten years.

As I entered the second year of junior high, I began to serve God in the church, the preaching point, and outdoor Sunday school. The first year of senior high I attended a summer camp, where I experienced the Holy Spirit working freely in the hearts of men. During the closing meeting, the place was filled with the voice of confession to God, as pastors embraced each other, crying, and asking for forgiveness. In the beginning I thought that it was only emotion. As I pondered thus, a strange feeling came over me. The more I struggled, the heavier my heart became, and I thought, "Woe is me, for I am ruined!" As tears

John Brantingham writes: "Norman Chen is our own Friends boy and has come up through the ranks of Sunday school, youth program, and summer camps, and is now our first young man in the China Evangelical Seminary program."

Everett Cattell writes: "Norman Chen was one of my two advisees and in most of my classes last year when I taught at the China Evangelical Seminary. I have rarely seen a student blossom out so fully as did Norman. In that one year

he made great progress. The two young men used to come to our home once a week to discuss with me problems they were meeting in their student pastorates."



ran down my cheeks, I realized that I also was being caught by this invisible current of the Holy Spirit. I saw myself as corrupt, false, dirty, and abominable, a liar, a lover of self, and boastful. I joined the voice of weeping and repentance and confessed my sins to God, asking for His forgiveness. As I did this, I felt happier and happier, and rivers of joy overwhelmed me, until I cried with a loud voice, "Hallelujah! Glory to the Lamb of God, Jesus Christ, who died on the cross for my sins! Peace among men with whom He is pleased!"

After that, no longer did I consider myself as "the greatest" at home. I treated my younger brothers and sisters better. As for my parents, I tried harder to please them. God increased my burden for the work of street evangelism, hospital visitation, gospel pamphlet distribution, and personal preaching. In so doing, I had greater fellowship with God and tasted great joy and satisfaction in His service.

I began to give more time during summer vacations to studying the Bible. I

prayed and talked with a seminary student nearly every night. I began to prepare myself for seminary, too, after graduation from high school.

But the last semester of high school my parents and relatives encouraged me to take the entrance examinations for university. Because of their pressure, I decided to do what they wished, but I told God, "Lead me to a good college to prove that this is from You." After my examination, although I got good marks, they were not sufficiently high to attend a "good university."

God used this experience to stir up my love for Him again. To know God's leading more clearly, I knelt in prayer in the church every morning and studied the book of Matthew word by word. The Bible became more encouraging to me.

From that time, the Lord led me to Christ College to be trained and to get further knowledge and prepare for His use. During those years, from the opportunity to preach to fishermen along the coast, to testify to the mountain people, and through doing all kinds of church work, the Lord helped me to realize my spiritual poverty. To be a better soul winner in the time before Jesus returns and to specialize in the study of His truth, as far as I am concerned, is more important than anything else.

Therefore, as soon as I stepped out of the gate of college, I entered another gate. To the surprise of relatives and friends, brothers and sisters, with thanksgiving and an expectant heart, I entered China Evangelical Seminary to continue another chapter of life God wants me to live. Like Paul felt so long ago, "For if I preach the gospel, I have nothing to boast of, for I am under compulsion; for woe is me if I do not preach the gospel. For if I do this voluntarily, I have a reward; but if against my will, I have a stewardship entrusted to me." □

Wait!

If you have waited in line recently you will enjoy reading about the South American version.

BY ED CAMMACK

This is one of those days to wait in line for hours. What am I waiting in line for? It's vehicle inspection time.

Everyone anticipates this event with very little enthusiasm. It costs one time, money, patience, and humor (if possible) by the time it's your turn.

There's this long list of items you must carry in your vehicle in order to pass the inspection. These range from tire patches to headache pills. One wonders why a bottle of pure alcohol is required. Could that be for the owner after his nerves are shattered once he finally gets the stamp of approval? One hopes that it isn't needed out on the road.

Anyway, I spent one day running to the drugstore, to the auto store, to the lumber yard, and home to paint the medical box. Oh, no, I didn't forget to paint the little red cross on top of that box.

Next day the emergency brake got its final adjustment at 5:30 a.m., then off on the two-hour drive to the inspection station. Oh, yes, there was the stop at the lumber yard to buy wooden wheel blocks.

Finally I'm in line. Waiting is such a joy, that is, when you are in a hurry anyway. So I wait some more. I'm hungry; the egg sandwich tastes good at a nearby stand. I wait some more! Hungry again! This time the greasy meat sandwich is more filling. Wait some more.

I met a friend in the inspection office. He says they'll give me a bad time if I don't put my red flags on long sticks. Oh, boy, where are some red sticks for my brown flag. No, I mean a long narrow brown stick for my bright red flags. Off to a friend's house; can't borrow his flags, not at home. Borrow two sticks and a stapler. Back to the vehicle.

Ed Cammack, with his wife Marie and children, is a missionary to Peru under Northwest Yearly Meeting of Friends Church. The Ed Cammack family has just recently returned from the field for their furlough period, after having completed two terms on the South American field.



Oh, dear, what are the required measurements for the flag? Oh, well, I'll make them so big they can't be too small. Sure doesn't leave much of a handle on the thing. Flag too long. Oh, well, at least I have my red stick for my brown flag.

Finally the line moves. Oh, good, it will soon be my turn. Would you believe that I'm in the third line—which is inspected *last*. At least I'm in the front of the line. A little important-looking man all dressed up in his brass attire just came by and asked me for my vehicle papers. He wrote down some information that he wanted and was off. Now I'm waiting again!

The real big brass just came out to do the inspecting in the first line, first car. Wait some more. Finally it is my turn. By now the big brass has to go to his office. His second best is carrying on. He gives me a little friendly grin. "Turn on your lights. No, the parking lights first. OK, now the directional light. Step on the brake. OK, now let's check the emergency brake. Oh, you'd better tight-

en that." "No, you gotta push it hard." "Oh, really? Yes, that is much better."

Now all the tools, medical kits, flags, warning triangles, blocks of wood, etc. are checked. "You've got to repaint those triangles." "OK, I'll do just that."

Finally the beautiful words came. "Everything is all right, friend. Now go wait for your blue card." Wonder where those headache pills are?

Upon entering the General's office, I'm told not to wear myself out standing up. So, I take the chair offered. Soon the General enters, and at long last my card is signed. The General and I shake hands. Not bad for a five-hour wait.

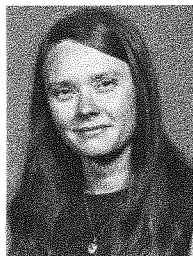
Upon approaching the pickup, some friends from Juli are waiting. "Look, we have a problem. Can we borrow some medicine from your medical kit? Oh, yes, your scissors too?"

Thank the Lord that we don't have to have all that equipment to get into heaven. Surely there will be no lines of people in heaven waiting to talk to Jesus. □

A new plan for education of missionary children in Taiwan

BY CHERYL BERRY

Cheryl Berry sums up a new attempt to keep smaller children nearer their parents.



It has been very interesting to sit and reflect about the adventures that have happened to me upon entering the Chinese culture. So many friendships have been newly formed that it hardly seems possible I never knew these lovely people. All the events that have happened to me are definitely molding me into God's plan for my life.

After my arrival in August 1974, my immediate plans were to tackle Chinese living conditions and a new school year. My first surprise was to find that the school custodian would also be available to help me out personally, e.g., shopping, errands, and various and sundry minor details, in and out of school. I was to live at the school, which is an old Japanese-style house. What would normally be the living room is the primary room and library and houses my desk. Another room, under normal circumstances a bedroom, is the "big kid's room." A third room is used for school storage. I have my own living room and bedroom and share the bathroom and kitchen with the students. The school is close to the park and public library. I have been very thankful those facilities have been close at hand.

The school year opened with six students in grades one through six. There were two first graders, one second grader, two fourth graders, and one sixth grader. This presented an unknown challenge that was not readily seen at my first glance. All my students have

different levels of abilities. So in essence, I had six grades to teach! My, what an awesome responsibility! I have never had this many grade levels at the same time. During the first quarter, I had many late nights and lots of mind searching as to what would be the best methods to teach this diversification. After many trials and adjusting situations, our school schedule began quietly to mold us into a regular routine. This was a very good scene for me.

How to adjust to a dual role, professionally and socially, with the 25-member missionary community in Chiayi was a new area to me. My second grader told a returning nurse at the beginning of the year when the nurse asked my student what she called her new teacher (me), she said, "I call her Miss Berry and Mom calls her Cheryl." I can give all my praise to the Lord that He has worked out this unique and delicate aspect of teaching at Chiayi American School. At the beginning of the second semester, our sixth grade student, Diane Zinn, transferred to Morrison Academy in Taichung, about 60 miles north of Chiayi. Therefore, I have only five students now, but it is still a challenge. □

A short-term teacher evaluates her year



BY SUSAN WEAVER

"For ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands." (Isaiah 55:12) What a promise! Many times it came to mind when I was so caught up in activities and outwardly there was no peace.

Teaching has been most frustrating and difficult, especially with no training in education. "Play it by ear" and "improvise" seemed to be key phrases in life at Morrison Academy. God's love often proved to be the only sure thing. Life has been full and certainly didn't lack

in variety! Teaching Bible, assisting in girls' P.E. at all grade levels, and teaching high school arts and crafts was just the beginning. Being involved in elementary and middle school as well as high school has given me the opportunity to see the working together—or not working together—of the school system.

Sharing with students in and out of the classroom, talking about problems, goofing around, discussing some basic issues of life have proved to be worthwhile though at times exhausting experiences. Being involved in CGC (Christian Girls' Club for middle school), having fellowship with fellow faculty members, being with the singles gang, spending some time with our Friends missionaries, visiting places with Chinese friends, taking lessons in speaking Chinese, finding my way around town by bicycle, climbing a mountain in the pouring rain, learning how to eat and cook Chinese food, waiting for the musical notes of the friendly neighborhood garbage truck, hearing "hello" and "thank you" from all the Chinese kids and those anxious to practice their Chinese, watching not to fall into the open sewers—all these things have become an important part of my life.

There is so much to discover and explore . . . the country, the people, the kids at school, myself, and my relationship with Jesus. I've seen so many new things—small miracles like a breakthrough in a student's attitude and escape from being hurt in this crazy traffic—and large miracles like Joel, my fiancé, filling a teaching vacancy here at Morrison for the second semester, and me, that shy girl who never ever wanted to be a teacher, and here I am actually enjoying it.

I cannot begin to express all the gratitude that wells up inside me for the privilege you have given me to be here in Taiwan. It has been a time of discovery—seeing the needs of missionaries and finding out that they really are just like us, seeing my own needs and having them met through my relationship with God, applying things God has shown me . . . and as each new situation arises, going out with joy and being led forth with peace. Thank you, Friends! □

Cheryl Berry and Susan Weaver, both of whom are on short-term specialized assignments on Taiwan under the Evangelical Friends Church—Eastern Region, report on their reactions to their first months of service on that field.

President Chiang Kai-shek's Christian testimony

BY FRIENDS MISSIONARIES ON TAIWAN

The late President Chiang Kai-shek dictated a statement to the Chinese nation on March 29, 1975, before his death on April 5, 1975. The second sentence reads, "There has not been a single moment that I have strayed away from Christian faith and Dr. Sun's ideals." This is a wonderful testimony for him to leave to the Chinese people. Dr. Sun, the father of the Republic, was also a Christian. Many people had formerly chosen to ignore all references to the President's being a Christian. Because of this many others were unaware of his Christian faith. This has brought it into such sharp focus that many will be deeply influenced by it. Dr. Chow Lien-hwa, the President's pastor, told of a young military guard asking to be baptized. Dr. Chow asked him what caused him to want to believe in Christ. He said the President's deep devotional life, which he witnessed while on guard duty.

Charles DeVol has often been asked to speak at the President's church. On Sunday following the President's passing, Charles DeVol was interviewed by a newspaper reporter. He showed the reporter a copy of an Easter message the President had given one year. The reporter was much impressed and gave Charles DeVol's remarks and the article a good write-up. Then on Monday China Television interviewed Charles DeVol on TV. Among the things he told were of the times when vacationing on Kuling that he and Leora, out for a walk, would meet the Generalissimo and Madame Chiang also out for a walk. They always exchanged greetings.

Our Quaker churches used incidents from the life of the late President that can be a Christian witness and had memorial services on Sunday, April 13.

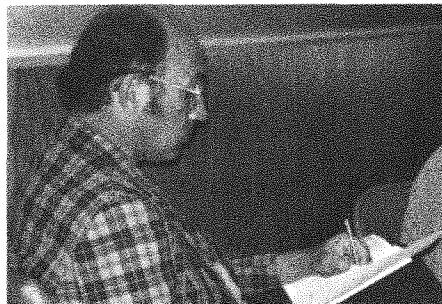
An English language newspaper is now carrying a free English translation of a book Chiang Ching-Kueh wrote about his father. He told of how his father read *Streams in the Desert* each day and made his own notes at the end of each message. Then his father gave the copy to him to read and note especially what had been written. Chiang Ching-Kueh was much moved and saw that this gave the answer to the source of his father's unusual strength and determination. □

what's so great about

BY DOROTHY E. BARRATT

Discovery learning techniques were put into practice by those attending a recent Sunday school curriculum seminar held at Harbor Villa on the beautiful Oregon coast. Listening to presentations was a small part of the seminar, while a large percentage of time was spent in searching through all age levels of the ALDERSGATE GRADED CURRICULUM to see if discovery learning or involvement techniques were really there.

The seminar was sponsored by the Education Board of Northwest Yearly Meeting. An effort was made to involve people from different geographical areas of the yearly meeting as well as bringing together those with various backgrounds



What's New!



Dorothy Barratt
EFA Christian education
consultant

What happens when a variety of Christian education and church leaders get together to analyze Sunday school curriculum? Here's Dorothy Barratt's appraisal of such a conference held recently at a retreat center on the Oregon coast.

Something New for Fall 1975!

ALDERSGATE GRADED CURRICULUM IMPROVEMENTS:

- Full color covers—Primary-Senior Teen
- Larger, more usable Teacher's Manuals
- Two activity books for Juniors: *Younger Juniors, Older Juniors*
- Extended session—Primary
- Three teaching tracks for Young Teen and Senior Teen: From the traditional to ultra creative approach.

aldersgate?

and gifts. A number of public school educators, local Christian education chairmen, Sunday school superintendents, and teachers of a variety of age levels contributed their knowledge and experience, all of which helped to make the weekend a rich experience.

Some of those in attendance had been using the Aldersgate Sunday school material with good success while others knew very little about it.

The seminar was designed, first of all, to acquaint more people in greater depth with the ALDERSGATE GRADED CURRICULUM. Hopefully, those with a greater knowledge of the curriculum would give us a broader base of support

as well as giving back to our editors suggestions for continual improvement of the material.

During the weekend there were presentations of material for each age level by our EFA Christian education specialists: Betty Hockett, preschool; Marjorie Landwert, children; Harold Antrim, youth; Lela Morrill, adult; and a general presentation by Dorothy Barratt, EFA Christian education consultant.

Following each presentation, there was time for individual research and sharing in small groups using the teaching materials for each specific age level. All the student involvement techniques in the Sunday school teaching manuals for one quarter were marked. The group compiled lists that they later presented to the larger group.

The lists of discovery learning methods suggested for the various age levels were most impressive. And it was generally agreed that our curriculum was outstanding in the use of this most effective approach to teaching.

Research items from one quarter of each age level were posted on the walls of the Retreat House, and the effect was striking. Even those who had previously used the material were amazed to see the amount, variety, color, and creative resources available in each resource packet.

The feedback of ideas and constructive criticism by this outstanding group of Christian educators from our churches was extremely helpful. It is hoped that this kind of sharing from those who use the Aldersgate curriculum will continue.

Many went back to their churches to share what they had learned and to lend their support to the ALDERSGATE GRADED CURRICULUM.

The presence of General Superintendent Norval Hadley was much appreciated, and as we concluded the seminar, he was heard to say, "Let's tell all of our churches to use the Aldersgate curriculum—not just because of the Friends involvement but because *it's the best!*"

It is hoped that each yearly meeting in the EFA will be able to sponsor a similar curriculum seminar within the next year or two. □



Editorial

Continued

keep silent; some hesitate to bring the retarded to church to worship because it is feared they won't be welcome. Maybe a sad experience in the past, something said, or deep fears of rejection keep not only the mentally retarded from the fellowship but also their families. Yet, when a meeting or a pastor just lets it become obvious that the mentally retarded are welcome and helped, it is surprising how many of these persons respond. But this kind of caring usually starts with someone equipped and qualified to do so. Two reference helps are recommended: The National Association for Retarded Citizens, 2709 Avenue E East, Arlington, Texas 76011, and the book, *What Do You Say to Parents of a Mentally Retarded Child?* by Robert Selle, 700 Hoffman Drive, Watertown, Wisconsin 53094. —J.L.W.

DOCTORS WANTED

The Kenya Ministry of Health still desires Friends to supply doctors for some of the outlying hospitals. Any doctor wishing to respond to the above may inquire of Wider Ministries Commission, 101 Quaker Hill Drive, Richmond, Indiana 47374. □

Friends Book Store

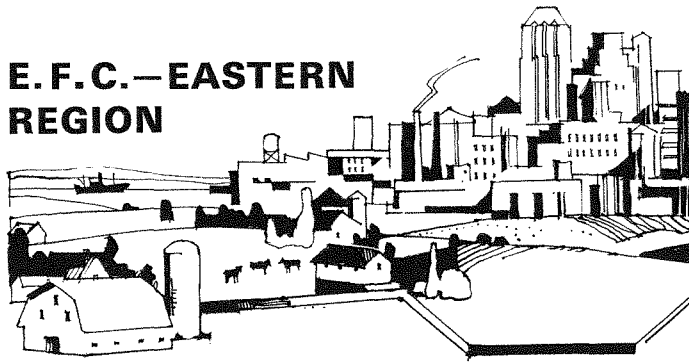
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E. F. C.—EASTERN REGION



Herman Stratton (right) leads a "Tribe" of Awana Club members in study of the day's lesson.

Salem Friends Have New Ministry to Children

Members of First Friends Church in Salem, Ohio, began in February of this year an AWANA chapter for children in their community. AWANA is an international organization of Bible clubs with 5,000 chapters. The name AWANA is taken from 2 Timothy 2:15 and means "Approved Workmen Are Not Ashamed." The organization teaches God's Word to boys and girls grades three through eight. To join, each child must attend three meetings and memorize and repeat from four to seven Scripture verses depending upon age. Once they are members they begin memorizing additional Scripture and learning more information about the Bible to achieve higher ranks in the club.

Each member wears a gray uniform shirt with a red neckerchief. The shirt has the club insignia on one shoulder and the American flag on the other. Each meeting begins with salutes to the American and AWANA flags. Enthusiasm in everything is stressed and shows in the children's play, chorus singing, and memorization and recitation of Scripture. For their Monday evening weekly meeting, boys and girls are separated. Children are also separated into various "tribes" by age for certain activities.

The AWANA club at Salem began with 40 boys and girls. In seven weeks' time it had grown to a top



Recreation at Awana meetings features physically active games.

attendance of 102. Extra workers had to be recruited to have enough persons to listen to all the children who wanted to recite Scripture. Several boys and girls have been saved through this program, and others report good spiritual growth. The leaders all are enthusiastic and looking for even greater things when the program resumes in September. Directors of the program at Salem are Mr. and Mrs. William Goughenour.

—Harold Backer

Midweek at Van Wert, Ohio (Number 5 in a series.)

The newest feature of our midweek service is the addition of a morning service. This early service was started for those who were working and unable to attend the evening service. It is also being used by others who find it easier to drive in the daytime or others who realize they will be unable to attend in the evening and yet want to stay with the lesson. The same lesson and format are used in both the morning and evening sessions.

Our format is casual and varied. Dress is informal. Each session has a time of serious Bible study. We attempt to study the Bible inductively. The people vote on what book they would like to study. Discussion is encouraged and lots of questions are asked. An overhead projector is used to provide opportunity to share charts, outlines, words, etc. Our studies are designed to feed the meat of the Word, and many people testify to being more deeply involved with the Bible than ever before.

Every other week we divide into small groups of six to eight persons each and use this time for sharing and prayer. This has proved to be a great help in teaching those who want to learn how to pray. We use suggestions from Rosalind Rinker's books on prayer. We have found that many who were afraid to pray aloud in the larger service feel free

to pray and share in these smaller groups. During this time we have a special service for all children geared to their level. This also enables the parents to participate more fully.

The positive results from the changes in our midweek service have encouraged us. We feel we are getting to know each other better. We are learning to minister to each other through prayer and sharing. We are growing spiritually. These results are reflected also in the numerical growth of our services. Before our new format we averaged about 28. After one year we now average 65.

Focus on Malone

During closing activities at the end of the year, Malone President Lon D. Randall publicly honored three persons who have contributed much to the college. Don Mason, who completes five years as dean of student affairs, was given the President's Citation at the baccalaureate service. Dr. Thomas E. Violand, Canton physician, was honored at commencement with the Distinguished Service Award in recognition of his contribution to successful athletic programs at Malone. At the annual Alumni Dinner, Dr. Edward Mitchell, Alliance surgeon, was given the Alumnus of the Year award in appreciation for service "beyond the call of duty" to his alma mater.

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Two Malone music groups are traveling this summer.

The Boanerges began their college-sponsored itinerary on June 9 and will visit churches, camps, youth retreats, and rallies scheduled by the Public Relations Office at Malone.

The Master's Plan are traveling for the Youth Board of the EFC—ER and are scheduled through the church office in Damascus.

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Eugene Collins, associate professor of religion at Malone, received his D.Rel. (doctorate in religion) on May 13 from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. His dissertation was "An Integration of the Behavioral Sciences and Business Administration Procedures into Biblical Models of Authority."

Dr. Collins has been invited during summer 1976 to join the staff of the LaHav Research project in Israel, which is located north of Beersheba and is under the auspices of Hebrew Union College in Jerusalem.

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CALENDAR

August 8-9—Summer orientation for new students and parents
August 18-24—Yearly Meeting of Evangelical Friends Church, Eastern Region
September 11-12—Faculty Conference
September 18—Fall classes begin

Yearly Meeting—1975

August 18-24, 1975

PLACE—Malone College, Canton, Ohio

LODGING—Cost: \$3 first night; \$2 each night thereafter. \$5 pre-registration fee required with advance registration blank. Bring your own linens. Advance registration opens August 1.

MEALS—Adults: \$.85 breakfast; \$1.35 lunch; \$1.95 supper. Children (12 and under): \$.75 breakfast; \$.95 lunch; \$1.25 supper.

YOUTH DORMS—Only youth who are 9th graders and older may reserve rooms in the youth dorms. Junior high youth may attend if they are staying with their parents in the adult residence halls. Only three to a room are allowed in the youth dorms. All must pre-register and are expected to participate in planned activities. Enforced "lights out" schedule. First come, first served basis until available space is filled.

CAMPING—Limited trailer space available (45) for sleeping only. Reservations on a first come, first served basis. \$1 per day or a \$5 fee for the entire week per trailer.

HOW TO REGISTER—Local pastors will soon receive Yearly Meeting brochures and registration forms. Fill out the form and send it with your pre-registration fee to:

Dr. Eugene Collins, Yearly Meeting Coordinator
Malone College
Canton, Ohio 44709

Checks should be made out to: Malone College

SEE YOU AT THE 1975 YEARLY MEETING!



KANSAS YEARLY MEETING

WMU Area Missionary Conferences

The refreshing words and tunes of songs like "Isn't the Love of Jesus Something Wonderful," "Something Beautiful," "Through It All" come drifting into my thoughts today. As I read the reports of each conference, it seems I've attended each one. However, during the time most of these were held, John and I were in Africa, and while there we sensed and felt your prayers. Thank you for being faithful at this particular time.

Total attendance in the seven Area Conferences was around 500. Offerings given by the women at these approximated \$1,600, which will go toward the purchase of a generator for the Windy Hill Dorm at Mweya.

In one area a beautiful theme of "Showers of Blessing to a Thirsty Land" was highlighted with the use of umbrella and tulip centerpieces for decorations. In another the theme was "And the Greatest of These Is Love." Theme for the North Central Area was "The Ministry of Women—Home, Church, and Careers." Unique table decorations (using Barbie dolls) depicted women in all such ministries.

Challenging, inspirational, and piercing messages were brought by our furloughing missionaries in each of these meetings. Ralph and Esther Choate, Gary and Ann Fuqua, Gerry Custer, David and Annie Riley presented the work in Burundi.

We were happy to observe that Ron and Janice Wood, workers at the Kickapoo Indian Mission, ministered in the Central Oklahoma Area Conference. Ferdinand Nkundwa and his wife Regina, a Burundi couple living in Friendswood, ministered in music at the Friendswood Area meeting.

How can we ever express our love and praise to our wonderful Lord? Try some of Psalm 42 on for size (*The Living Bible*): "Don't be upset. Expect God to act! For I know that I shall again have plenty of reason to praise him for all that he will do. He is my help! He is my God!"

—Betty Robinson

Kansas Yearly Meeting

104th Annual Session

August 4-8, 1975

Campus of Friends University,
Wichita, Kansas

Theme: A JOYOUS HARVEST

SPEAKERS

Verl Lindley—pastor of Granada Heights Friends Church, largest in California Yearly Meeting, with over 800 in attendance and a mission budget of \$152,000. A past speaker at KYM Pastors Retreat, Pastor Lindley will speak at the Monday



Lindley



Polston

night banquet at Century II and be in our sessions through Wednesday's workshops.

Don H. Polston is senior pastor of the Sunnyside Temple, a Wesleyan Church in Waterloo, Iowa, and founder of "The Life That Wins," an aggressive outreach ministry that encompasses television, radio, a monthly magazine, local church ministries, a day care center, investment counseling, and estate planning. He will be with us Wednesday afternoon through Friday morning services.

WORKSHOPS

1. "Preparing the Harvest"—led by Dr. John McMillin. The principles, importance, and practice of goal setting.

2. "Harnessing Our Divine Resources"—by Verl Lindley. The purpose and ministry of Faith Promise Stewardship.

3. "Discipling the Whole Man"—by Don Polston. Complete evangelism and the growing church. *Man and Family*: Person, Profession, Parent, Priest.

4. "Quaker Heritage and 4th Century Friends"—by Errol Elliot. Our past history and present horizons.

5. "Why All the Paper Work?"—by Stan Brown, Ernest Coleman. A discussion of basic church documents.

6. "Are Missions Out of Focus in KYM?"—by John Robinson. Must we be involved in ministering to the Third World?

SACRED CONCERT NIGHT

Suzanne Johnson is a superb young soprano soloist. She is a former Miss Illinois and finalist in the Miss America pageant. She brings vibrant beauty and professional ability to her exciting ministry of communicating spiritual truth by way of music. Her repertoire ranges from gospel songs and folk music to hymns and classical music.

While her career involves radio and television programs, national conventions, and performances at the White House, she is motivated by a deep personal commitment to Christ and a warm love for people and is keenly conscious of the opportunities such a ministry can have. As a result, her inspiring music is appreciated by audiences of all ages.

YOUTH YEARLY MEETING

Paul Snyder is planning for an exciting, inspirational time with the youth of KYM. Housed in the FU Girls' Dorm, the youth can anticipate a week of enthusiasm and enrichment as they hear from Arch Marshall, Kindred Spirit, Larry and Melita Kinser, and Clark McQuigg. Highlighted will be the Thursday night banquet.

PROGRAMS AND REGISTRATION CARDS may be obtained from the Yearly Meeting office: 2018 Maple, Wichita, Kansas 67213.

Burundi Prayer and Praise

PRAY for the country, that it will remain open to the Gospel. There is noted political unrest.

PRAY for the *Burundi Friends Church*, the leaders, and the missionaries. We all need God's wisdom for the problems we are facing. Pray that God will help people forget personal grudges and accept His will for the work here.

PRAY for the *graduates* from the Kibimba Normal School, Bible School at Mweya, and the Windy Hill School (Dean Ferguson and Kenny Thornburg).

PRAY for our *dry season activities*. We have Yearly Meeting, VBS, and Youth Camp. These activities have been a real spiritual help to our young people. Pray that the right leaders, teachers, and programs will be selected.

PRAY for *CORDAC*—PRAISE for it being back on the air.

PRAISE GOD for the good visit we had with the Robinsons.

PRAISE GOD for all the packages we have received lately. In the past 2½ months we have received about 590 petite packets.

PRAISE for the Carnation Instant Breakfast—shipped from home—that is so helpful for the protein-hungry people.

PRAISE for special gifts that permitted the Thornburgs to return home to attend the weddings of two of their children and receive medical attention for chronic malaria problems.

Friends Bible College

Wanda Mitchell asked the Board of Trustees of Friends Bible College to accept her resignation as president of the college. David Smitherman, chairman of the Board of Trustees, reported, "It is with regret that we accepted her request that we look for someone else to assume the office of President of Friends Bible College. President Mitchell will remain on until a successor is inaugurated. The board has appointed a Presidential Search Committee to pursue this task."

Wanda Mitchell assumed the duties of president in October 1971. Prior to that time she had served FBC for nine years in various capacities.

"President Mitchell's contributions to Friends Bible College are monumental," said Smitherman. "She... has shared in the leadership that not only watched FBC's enrollment grow from 93 students to a record of 168 students last year, but also enabled the college to balance its growing budget (from \$250,000 to \$463,500 in 1973-74) each of the last four years. During Mrs. Mitchell's years as president, FBC was able to develop a more comprehensive Christian service program plus initiating the two-degree program. This plan enables a student to attend FBC for three years and a second college for two years and receive two degrees, one from Friends Bible

College in Bible and also a degree from the second college in a vocational area."

Upon offering her resignation President Mitchell commented, "I believe Friends Bible College stands on the threshold of a tremendous future... [and] needs a more vigorous and different type of leadership than I am able to provide."

Mr. Smitherman said, "The Board of Trustees is deeply grateful for the leadership President Mitchell has given to Friends Bible College during these formative years. Her drive and determination to develop a sound Bible college program is obvious."

Chairman Smitherman explained that the board is exploring the possibilities of new progress at Friends Bible College. "Even now, as we search for someone to step in as president we have engaged the services of an outside firm to effect a study to explore the opportunities and possibilities of FBC's future. This outside firm is researching and evaluating the true image of the college." Mr. Smitherman concluded, "We have said that progress has been made—we are a four-year Bible college. Now, we want to determine if that is how FBC is perceived by those she serves, as well as explore and define the possibilities of increasing her effectiveness."

Warren Stanfield, academy graduate in the class of 1931, was named "Alumnus of the Year" at the annual Alumni and Former Students and Teachers' Banquet at Friends Bible College Saturday, May 10.

Warren Stanfield has been active in community, civic, church, and college affairs throughout his adult life. In 1944 he was appointed to the Friends Bible College Board of Trustees and served for 25 years, 14 of those as president of the board. From 1960 through 1969 he was presiding clerk of Kansas Yearly Meeting and also served as presiding clerk of Haviland Monthly Meeting for several years.

At the time of the construction of Phillips Hall, Warren sang with a quartet known as the Builders Quartet. Their purpose included raising money in churches to assist with construction of Phillips Hall. Other members of the group included Fred Knight, Harold Thompson, and Sheldon Jackson.

Warren is married to the former Elva Bevan. They have two children, Mrs. David (Marcille) Leach and Jerry Stanfield, both of Seattle.

The "Alumnus of the Year" presentation was made by Warren's son-in-law, David Leach, a member of the academy class of 1955.

Camp Quaker Haven Observes Its 25th Anniversary

In honor of 58 years of camping and 25 years of services at Camp Quaker Haven, the Camp Board of Kansas Yearly Meeting is planning a celebration to take place during Family and Keen Agers' Camp. All are cordially invited to attend this special occasion. You will learn of the new long-range development plans and meet again many of the directors of years past.

Time: 3 p.m. Sunday afternoon
August 31, 1975

Place: Camp Quaker Haven
Arkansas City, Kansas

NORTHWEST YEARLY MEETING



NWYM Sessions Begin July 19

Northwest Yearly Meeting sessions will begin Saturday, July 19, and continue into the following Wednesday, when the EFA General Conference begins.

Saturday the Executive Council, boards, and Representatives will be meeting throughout the day. Meetings of the Representatives, which are to be open to the public, will be at 3 in the afternoon and 7 in the evening.

On Sunday there will be no Yearly Meeting program in the morning. In the afternoon at 3 there will be a Fine Arts presentation and at 7 p.m. a Spiritual Life Board service with Norval Hadley bringing the keynote message.

Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday mornings there will be Devotions at 8 with the Executive Council meeting at the same hour. Boards and Representatives will meet at 9.

Monday morning there will be a film report on Bolivia and Peru by Donald Edmundson at 9 a.m. for those not otherwise involved. At 10:30 there will be a seminar on self-improvement, and at 1:30 the first plenary session. The WMU Banquet will be at 6:30 p.m. with the Men's Dinner at 7 p.m. There will be picnics for first graders through junior high.

Tuesday there will be plenary sessions at 10:30 a.m., 2 p.m., and 7:30 p.m. During plenary sessions business will be conducted and board reports will be given. A new movie of NWYM missions will be shown at 7 p.m.

Wednesday plenary sessions will be held at 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. Yearly Meeting will conclude with the closing session at 4:00 p.m.

Tuesday and Wednesday there also will be meetings of special groups as listed on the Yearly Meeting programs available in your churches.

Friends Youth activities will take place at the coast in connection with the regular Twin Rocks Surfside Camp for high schoolers, which will last the entire week. Buses will leave from Reedwood (Portland), South Salem, and Newberg Friends Churches Monday at 2 p.m. and will return to George Fox College at 10:30 a.m.

Refugee Relocation

Northwest Yearly Meeting is actively engaged in the relocation of about 20 Vietnamese refugee families.

Anyone seeking further information should contact:

Ralph Beebe, President
Friends Action Board
212 Carlton Way
Newberg, Oregon 97132
Phone: (503) 538-8765

Sunday, where the EFA Conference will be in its last day.

Activities for junior high age will be on the GFC campus coordinated by Randy Winston. Speakers will be Ralph Fry, Bob Schneider, Randy Winston.

Children's Yearly Meeting will be held at Camp Tilikum Monday through Wednesday, 9-4, with evening rallies in Wood-Mar Auditorium.

There will be the usual nursery and preschool care, beginning with the Saturday meetings of boards and Representatives.

Volunteer Labor Builds Nordyke Home

Quentin and Florene Nordyke have expressed their gratitude to nearly 200 volunteer workers who gave time to the construction of their home in Newberg.

The Nordykes returned one year ago from mission work in South America and found it impossible to purchase an adequate house. Under the direction of Friends Action Board, volunteer labor was supplied and the house constructed at a considerable saving.

The Nordykes held an open house June 1. On the garage door they had attached a floor plan entitled "This is the house that FAB built," listing the names of major volunteers and churches that participated.

George Fox College

More than 2,000 students are involved as their teachers participate in a program using games that offer instruction in mathematics through a new program offered by George Fox College.

More than 80 teachers in Oregon and Washington are participating, and one complete school district near Tacoma may go to the new GFC-supplied materials next fall, beginning with a model school. The program is aimed at improving mathematics teaching skills of teachers. Nine individual at-home study courses are offered through the use of cassette tapes, accompanied by practical experience, using games and materials provided in a teaching packet.

In a cooperative venture, the Newberg School District is consolidating its curriculum library for teachers with the GFC curriculum library. The new larger complex is moving to a new home in the bottom floor of Shambaugh Library on campus.

The new center is the result of a \$3,000 gift from a Newberg resident, Elizabeth Carey Minas.

Keith Miller, whose books have sold more than one million copies, was guest speaker for the 83rd annual

George Fox College commencement exercises May 31.

The college honored baccalaureate speaker, Jack Willcuts, with an honorary doctorate. Willcuts, pastor of the Reedwood Friends Church since 1971, was superintendent of Northwest Yearly Meeting of Friends for five years before moving to his Portland position. He is a 1944 George Fox graduate who has served on the college's Board of Trustees for nine years.

Given faculty-emeritus standing was George Moore, retiring this year after 18 years with the college, former dean of faculty and currently chairman of the Division of Education. Also retiring after 14 years is Paul Cammack, chairman of the Division of Language Arts.

George Fox College's enrollment growth countering a national trend for small private schools was reported in the national magazine, *Christianity Today*, saying that the Newberg college shows that all private colleges are not in trouble.

The magazine in its article, "Christian Colleges: An Endangered Species?" used a chart that showed George Fox's expected enrollment increase this fall to be the top of 12 colleges reported in the nation. A jump of up to 10 percent is predicted with the other colleges reporting between zero and five percent.

Dates of Summer Camps

TWIN ROCKS

July 7-12—Junior Girls
July 14-19—Junior Boys
July 21-27—Surfside Senior Youth (includes EFA Conference attendees)
July 28-August 2—Tween Camp
August 29-September 1—Family Camp
September 12-14—Adult Fellowship

QUAKER HILL

July 3-6—4th of July Family Camp
August 4-9—Tween Camp
August 11-16—Youth Camp
August 18-22—Boys and Girls Camp
August 29-September 1—Labor Day Family Camp

ISLAND HOPPING

August 1-3—Adults only
August 4-9—High schoolers who will be in grades 10 through college freshman next fall



New Pastors At Center

The people at Center Friends have welcomed new pastors, Bradley and Elsie Fisher, along with their family. Bradley has been a very successful pastor in Kansas Yearly Meeting, and we feel he will be not only a blessing as he ministers at Center but also a real asset to RMYM.

Area Rallies

The Western Slope Area Rally was held at the Grand Junction Church. Concepts of Dr. Win Arn's church growth ideas were highlighted. This mini seminar helped in evaluating goals for growth. Audiovisuals were used for the presentation and included a tape and a sound film.

People of Rocky View Area gathered at Quaker Ridge Camp for an evening and day of inspiration. This spring retreat used the theme of "A Weekend for Family Growth and Learning." Films and tapes by Dr. Howard Hendricks were used to gain insight into such topics as "The Christian Home—Problems and Priorities"; for men—"Marriage—A Christian Perspective"; for women—"The Role and Responsibility of the Wife," and "Discipline in the Home."

Omaha Friends Study The Holy Spirit

The congregation of the Omaha church was recently involved in a special study of the Holy Spirit. Growth groups met throughout the week, and Sunday morning messages centered on the purpose and ministry of the Spirit for a vital Christian life. Climax of this series was a special service on Pentecost Sunday.

This series was conducted by their pastor, Wayne Conant. Wayne and Ruth Conant have been pastoring the Omaha meeting since July of 1974, and the people of RMYM are glad they have joined us.

Prayer Takes Priority

The Navajo Christians associated with our mission are busy but have gathered several times for special prayer services. We found the people on Black Mountain at the residence of our Navajo pastor. In the west the sun was sinking low, but during the day, vigorous activity had been going on. Heavy coats of wool had been sheared from their flock of sheep and goats. As afternoon approached, overshadowing thunderclouds had come; soon clouds began to empty their contents of rain and some hail, thus causing the shearing to stop.

Having sheared quite a number of their flock, we might expect the family to rest from their labors; however, toward the time of sunset, members of the family could be seen wending their way toward another building not far from their house. It was a church, and soon pickups began to arrive in anticipation of the service. A prayer meeting had been scheduled to pray for the camp meeting to be held the next week at Rough Rock.

As Amos Redhair rose to lead the service, he realized the sun would soon cease to give its light. Before leading the group in some songs, therefore, he took a gas lantern and lit it. The group joined in singing a number of songs, after which Amos spoke on instances of united prayer and God's intervening as portrayed in the Bible.

Time was spent together in voicing their petitions before the throne of grace. Although many were weary from the labors of the day, yet they spent time to meet and unburden their hearts to the One who hears and answers His own. At the close of the service hands were clasped and words of greeting exchanged with one another. Our prayer was that as the group scattered each would be a daily witness for Christ in every way possible.

A few days later at the Oak Ridge church, another group of Christians began to plan a time of prayer for

the same camp meeting. They had many chores in caring for their livestock so could not have a night meeting. Therefore, a prayer meeting was set for one o'clock in the afternoon. Their service followed a pattern similar to the others: singing, a message, and a time of prayer especially for camp meeting.

At another Christian's home, a third prayer meeting was held. Soon these three groups of Christians gathered to join hands and hearts in the camp meeting at Rough Rock. We can learn from these Navajo brothers. When your church is to have special meetings, how much time is spent in united prayer for such?

—Mary Gafford

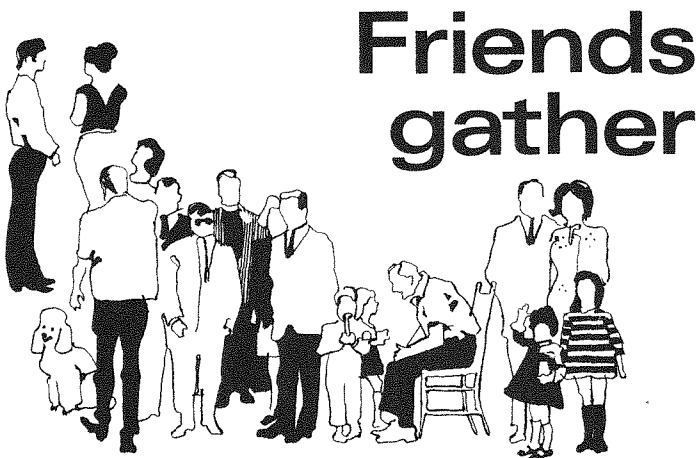
Rough Rock Prayer And Praise Notes

PRAY FOR . . .

1. Bible School at Oak Ridge Friends Church.
2. Summer Bible Camps at the mission—July 20-August 1.
3. For the conversion of several couples with whom God is dealing.

PRAISE FOR . . .

1. God's ministry to needy hearts during our recent camp meeting.
2. Real effort and progress as a lady began classes to learn to read her own language.
3. The ministry of God's Word through our Navajo pastor, Amos Redhair.



Friends gather

ACHILLES, Virginia

Our pastor and his wife, Willis and Pauline Miller, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on May 12. They were honored at the parsonage by the church and friends on this celebrated occasion. We thank the Lord for our pastor and his wife and the blessings they have brought to us during this past year. Congratulations to this wonderful couple!

ALBUQUERQUE, New Mexico

We were recently pleased to have seven young adults from the Colorado Springs church with us. They traveled to Albuquerque to share in our morning worship.

We hosted the Internationals from Azusa Pacific College. Everyone appreciated their ministry.

ALLIANCE, Ohio

Dr. Kenneth Kinghorn of Asbury Seminary was with us recently for a weekend of meetings. Our theme was "The Spirit among Us" with special emphasis on Discipleship and the Holy Spirit.

The Mother - Daughter Banquet with the theme, "Loving Letters," was carried out by having bright red rural-type mailboxes decorating each table. Steven Darr was the guest singer for the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert M. Kelbaugh recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with an open house reception in the Fellowship Hall of the church. They have been members of Alliance First Friends for 41 years.

ALUM CREEK, Marengo, Ohio

"Prevailing Prayer" was the subject of the prayer meeting service May 28 led by our pastor. Scriptures of those who prevailed in prayer were cited. After the lesson, we divided into two groups for prayer; one prayed for their own families with unsaved ones who are very close to them, the other for Sunday school class members with special needs and the sick. Questionnaires were handed out to assist the pastor in ascertaining the value of the prayer meeting service and how it could be more effective in meeting our

needs. These were filled out and turned in for further study.

ARGONIA, Kansas

The people of Argonia Friends are busy working and serving the Lord.

Our senior citizens were special guests at a fellowship supper. The Junior Department entertained them by presenting three skits. A Father-Son Banquet was held April 14; 59 fathers and sons enjoyed the meal prepared and served by the ladies of the Study Club.

Twelve people attended the sessions of the Win Arn Church Growth Seminar at Friends University.

Every seat was taken and extra chairs added Easter Sunday with 172 in the service.

Young people have been assisting our pastor by reading the Scripture for the morning service.

We are enjoying new hymnals, recently purchased. Our pastor conducted a very beautiful and meaningful service of dedication for them.

We were greatly blessed by the special services with Larry and Mileta Kinser in May.

BARBERTON, Ohio

A series of revival services was held May 11-18 with Dr. and Mrs. James Gibson from Wilmore, Kentucky. His Bible-centered messages were practical, interesting, and uplifting. Mrs. Gibson excels as a fine musician, playing the piano and the vibraphone. She also presented a gospel message each evening through her illuminated Gospel Art Pictures.

Our DVBS was held June 16-20. Mary McMillen led the children in the classes. We thank the Lord for the wonderful times shared during this week with the children.

BELLEFONTAINE, Ohio

Our Teen Choir enjoyed their sixth annual spring tour from April 28 through May 9. They sang at Friends churches in Collinsville, Tulsa, and Chandler, Oklahoma; Booker, Texas; Haviland, Cedar Point, and Topeka, Kansas; Grinnell, Iowa, and in Wesleyan churches in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and Janesville, Wisconsin. A total of 34 youth and eight adults made the 3,200-mile trip, which turned out to be a spiritually significant time for all of them.

Our Christian education department, under the leadership of Marcia Michael, purchased 500 orchids at Mother's Day time and delivered them to all the mothers in the hospital, either patient or staff, and then did the same in all the nursing homes of the county. An attached note said, "We love you, from First Friends Church." The response has been heartwarming. This was a good bit of public relations work as well as a blessing.

BETHANY, Wadsworth, Ohio

The Mother-Daughter Banquet was held on Thursday evening, May 8, at Hopocan Gardens in Barberton. Many of our ladies and their mothers or daughters enjoyed the meal and program that followed.

The Lay Witness weekend of April 18-20 was well attended and very much enjoyed spiritually. We feel that many blessings were received and that many lives will be affected by it. Mary and Jim McMillen of the Barberton church were the coordinators.

BOISE, Idaho

Boise Friends Sunday school was first in the Evangelical Friends Alliance Phase II Enlargement Campaign (Division C), with an 18 per-

cent gain in attendance during the past five months.

Ron Crecelius, chaplain at GFC, conducted special meetings in our church from April 18 to 20.

Our evening service was dismissed on April 27 in order to attend a musical evening at Greenleaf. All Friends churches in the valley were included. In addition to the mass choir, there was a brass ensemble from Warner Pacific College.

A Missionary Outreach Conference, with Ron Stansell and Quentin Nordyke, was held in our church May 2-4. The directors for YFC and World Opportunities gave talks on Friday and Saturday nights. The WMU had a luncheon on Saturday with Ann Petticord as guest speaker. Mrs. Petticord is leaving soon for Germany with Campus Crusade for Christ. The conference concluded with a choir presentation by Caldwell Friends.

Three couples from our church attended the Institute of Church Imperatives at Modesto, California, May 27-29. These delegates gave their report on Sunday evening, June 1. They were excited about new ideas for church growth and adding souls to the kingdom.

DAMASCUS, Ohio

Our church began a five-minute radio program over WSOM, Salem, on May 12. This is running five days a week at 4:10 p.m. It contains a brief message, announcements about our church, and hymns.

On Mother's Day the Young Adult Class was in charge of recognizing our mothers. Each one present received a tape measure to which was attached a small artificial flower made of rick rack. The measure testified that you cannot really measure a mother's love.

All our high school seniors and juniors participated in a recognition banquet on May 30 honoring our graduating young people.

EAST GOSHEN, Beloit, Ohio

We recently had a Sunday School Workshop for all teachers. Area churches participating were Southeast Friends, Lisbon Trinity, Winona, and East Goshen. Each church sponsored a workshop in their church on a different Thursday for four consecutive weeks. The response was gratifying, and teachers have been returning to their classes with some very refreshing ideas.

A recent Sunday evening worship service consisted of a time of inspirational music participated in by the young people of our church. We were all blessed by God's use of the talents of the people of our church.

On May 25 we heard and participated in Bill and Gloria Gaither's tape "Alleluia." What a precious time of praise this was!

EAST RICHLAND St. Clairsville, Ohio

Pioneer Girls program among our girls in grades 6 through 12 is being well received. During May the younger group learned to decorate cakes for their Mother's Day gift and both groups learned macrame from a local friend in the community.

Two camp promotional projects to help youth of the congregation attend camp were begun. Camp banks were placed in the foyers for donations, and a refreshment stand was sponsored at a two-day auction sale.

HASTY, Colorado

For the beginning of this fiscal year, we had a special time of organization for committees following

a morning service. It was preceded by a basket dinner.

We had a Child Evangelism work day. Everyone brought part of the lunch as we made visual aid songs and the backgrounds for flannel-graphs.

For Mother's Day, mothers were honored with a flower from our pastor's own plant. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Allard also dedicated their three children, Tommy II, Nelissa, and Brett.

HAVILAND, Kansas

The Haviland Friends Church experienced oldtime revival under the evangelistic ministry of Ben Bebermeyer of Alva, Oklahoma. The preaching was "in demonstration of the Spirit and of power." A remarkable moving of the Holy Spirit was manifested during the Sunday morning service, many being saved and sanctified. The evangelist was assisted during the latter part of the crusade by the Peacemakers, a musical group that included four of the Bebermeyer young people.

Our church has developed a new ministry to the community. Sunday morning worship services are being televised on the local cable station for the benefit of those unable to attend the church.

VBS, under the direction of Laura Davis, was very successful. The average attendance for the two weeks was close to 100 children and 40 teachers and helpers. On the final day the Bible school was climaxed by a bicycle parade downtown and a picnic in the park.

We are happy to have our new pastor and family with us, the Peter Schuler family.

HUGHESVILLE, Pennsylvania

The FY hosted a weekend retreat with Trinity Lisbon youth, using the theme, "Greater Is He That Is Within You Than He That Is in the World." The Trinity Lisbon youth along with our own youth and many members of our church attended World-Wide Pictures, Inc. new release of the film, *The Hiding Place*.

The Missionary Committee hosted an OMS Ladies Prayer and Share Retreat with 102 attending representing 35 churches in the area.

The Ecroyd Missionary Circle hosted a Ladies Missionary Day with Anna Nixon and combined with Williamsport Friends Church for a Missionary Rally in the evening. The two churches had a personal shower for Anna Nixon after the rally.

A six-week Teaching Techniques Training Course for Sunday school teachers was held in our church with other churches in the community invited to attend.

MARYSVILLE, Ohio

May was "Fund Raising" Month as Marysville church members set their sights for a new church. Pray that God will lead Worthy Fowler, Garland Glassburn, Paul Numble, and Pastor Glenn Althouse as they make the plans and decisions for the new church.

Souls were won to Christ and Christians were sanctified during the first week of May! We were blessed with the afternoon and evening messages of Evangelist Thomas Mangrum.

At this uncertain time in history, may we take this space to remind you our country and President need your prayers.

MT. PLEASANT, Ohio

The Mother-Daughter social time was enjoyed by 60 mothers and daughters. Each guest was given a floral picture made by the planning committee. Special recognition was given several mothers.

DVBS was a special time of refreshing for both teachers and children. Many Bible truths came to light through the teaching practices of the specially planned programs.

As a result of our recent Lay Witness Mission several prayer groups are now meeting each week to hold special study sessions that are proving to be of great spiritual benefit.

NAMPA, Idaho

Nampa Friends recently held a Mission and Outreach Conference April 16-20. Speakers included missionaries Ron Stansell and Quentin Nordyke and our Yearly Meeting superintendent, Norval Hadley. Also Quaker Hill, Greenleaf Academy, and George Fox College were presented.

May 7-11 revival was held with Norval Hadley.

Sunday evening, June 1, Janice and David Steiger from Missionary Aviation Fellowship presented their work.

We are now having Bible study following Sunday evening service.

Summer softball is now under way and will be competing with church and other local organizations.

New members received into the church were David Witt, Jim and Shirin Sahnou and children, Philip and Anita, and Bonnie Ewing.

We recently lost one of our charter members, Carl Farner, through death. We are indebted to people like him who had the dedication and foresight to establish our church. We will miss his support and prayers.

NETARTS, Oregon

Sunrise services on Easter were followed by a bountiful breakfast served in the church recreation room.

New pews have been purchased and installed in the church and were mostly paid for by donations from members and the community. The original pews were donated to Twin Rocks Friends Camp, where recently some members spent a day helping clean up for summer activities.

Our first Sunday of the month evening fellowship hour is a variety program—sometimes slides, movies, singspiration, visits by missionaries or others. The last two meetings were films—*Africa, the Dry Edge of Disaster* and *Honduras, Aftermath of Hurricane Fifi*, both by World Relief Commission. Collections were taken for these areas.

The second week of June was our annual Bible school. Their project was to purchase a bicycle for a missionary.

NEWBERG, Oregon

The Sanctuary Choir presented an evening of a wide variety of inspirational music on April 27, including some compositions by members of the choir and congregation. Raymond Ortlund, pastor of Lake Avenue Congregational Church in Pasadena, spoke as an introduction to George Fox College Deeper Life Conference.

The Senior High Choir presented the cantata "Alleluia" by Bill Gaither on May 11, Dennis Hagen, director.

The Challengers from Columbus, Ohio, presented a concert at our church on May 18.

Lloyd Melhorn, pastor of Sherwood Friends, spoke at the morning services on May 25. This was a Newberg Area pulpit exchange. Ron Woodward spoke at Tigard on that Sunday.

Twenty-three high school and college graduates of this year were recognized in our June 8 service.

Miller and Hazel Porter were honored on their 50th wedding anniversary at a reception June 1 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Garrett Cooke.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald A. Fodge of Silverton, Oregon, were honored at an open house at Newberg Friends Church on June 1 in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary.

NEW HOPE Hay Springs, Nebraska

We appreciated the ministry of Larry and Mileta Kinser. They shared with us on Easter Sunday. On another Sunday, Ralph and Esther Choate and Gerry Custer of the Burundi, Africa, mission field shared. We also were privileged to have Paul and Sharon Moser of Omaha here for a recent service. Each of these services has been an inspiration to us.

NORTH LEWISBURG, Ohio

On Mother's Day, May 11, the fathers all took part in the service. Some read poetry, while another wrote and read of his memories of his own mother. Another read the history of Mother's Day. Two fathers sang a duet, and our pastor's message was appropriate for the day. Opel Furrow was chosen "Mother of the Year" with Dorcas Heizer and Jane Birt as runners-up. Each mother present and those who are shut in were given a potted flower.

NORTHSIDE, Grinnell, Iowa

We were privileged to have the Bellefontaine choir as our guests on May 6. This group of 40 young people from the First Friends Church in Bellefontaine, Ohio, was on a tour of the Midwest with their pastor, Bruce Burch, and several other sponsors.

The annual Mother-Daughter Banquet was held May 23 at the Motor Inn in Newton. It was our pleasure to have Norma Kvendlog of Cedar Rapids as our after-dinner speaker. Grace Metz, who recently graduated from Vennard College, was honored during the evening. She is leaving soon to teach in New Jersey and will be missed very much.

OMAHA, Nebraska

While our pastors attended the Pastors Retreat, Mr. Huntly, a member of the Gideon Society, shared with the congregation on how the Lord is giving them opportunities in the Omaha area.

We have been blessed by our pastor's series on the Holy Spirit. (For more information on this, see RMYM section of "Friends Concerns.")

PENIEL, Onemo, Virginia

Peniel Friends Church enjoyed her annual Bible Readers Banquet May 9 in the Fellowship Hall. After a delicious meal, Nancy Bellfield and her daughter Laurie favored us with special music. A short Bible quiz was conducted by our pastor, E. A. Lockwood. All were interested to see who could answer the most questions as quickly as possible. We welcomed Rev. and Mrs. Willis Miller as our guests and extended "Happy Golden Wedding Anniversary wishes" to them both. Willis Miller inspired us each on our own dedicated Bible reading practices.

PUTNAM Carthage, North Carolina

We have recently had revival services with Jack Tebbis, Piedmont District superintendent, as evangelist. It was a very precious time of spiritual deepening and growth. Many of our own number as well as people from visiting churches were edified. The presence of the Lord was deeply felt in every service. All special singing was by the choir and special groups from our own members. We are so thankful for talents being used for God's glory. Another thing we are so grateful to Him for is our young people who prepare themselves and willingly fill teaching positions and take leadership in the work of the church. We worked for years with only a few to bear all responsibilities. Now it is such a delight to be able to call on many to lead in prayer or fill in on a special committee.

REEDWOOD, Portland, Oregon

Pastor Haskins of Salem has conducted a series of classes on the "Work of the Holy Spirit" for the Young Marrieds Class and the Circles of Concern Class.

Fred Gregory has been called as associate pastor and member of the pastoral team. Fred and LaVonne Gregory lived in Seattle, where he was employed by Inter-Cristo, Inc., a mission-related organization. They previously spent two years with World Relief Commission in Bangladesh.

VBS with Nadine Knight as director was underway in June. The first week classes were held at the church, and the second week was spent at Camp Tilikum.



HOWLAND, Warren, Ohio

In November of 1974 an automobile accident in the yard of the Howland Friends Church destroyed the old church sign made of brick and mortar. After a winter of shopping around, our trustees chose the pictured sign from the J. M. Stewart sign company in Shippenville, Pennsylvania. We are grateful for this new visibility and opportunity to communicate with our community in this way.

The May Nursing Home Workshop for those interested in the nursing home ministry featured speakers Dr. George Moore of Newberg Friends Church; Ruth Borude, president of Volunteers in Service Action; and Dr. Jack Willcuts of the host church. Walter and Gladys Cook were responsible for the inspirational training sessions.

Musical highlights at Reedwood have been a concert by Warner Pacific College under the directorship of Joseph Gilmore, and later the Kings Envoy Choir presented a concert under the direction of J. Robert Barber. This outstanding choir has been together for more than 15 years.

Reedwood members have been busy making ready the Lambert House into temporary quarters for the first two of the three Vietnamese refugee families they are sponsoring.

SALEM FIRST, Ohio

The Malone College Chorale of 46 voices and under the direction of Don Murray sang in the morning service April 27, 1975. After singing the more traditional a cappella and piano accompanied choir music, the second half of the program was a folk cantata entitled "Good News World" by John Wilson. This featured music dealing with both Christ's birth and second coming ended as the chorale sang "Those Who Walk with Him in White" from the back of the church. Interspersed with the singing were short speaking parts for a prophet, Mary, Joseph, and the wise men. Scripture was also quoted, adding emphasis to the presentation.

SEBRING, Ohio

Our youth enjoyed skating at the Starlight Roller Rink and participated in two car washes.

Our May 25 evening service was given to songs and instrumental music with our guest, Mike Wiczen, playing beautifully on the harmonica.

Our DVBS June 16-20 was directed by Arlene Kelbaugh of Smithfield.

SHERWOOD, Oregon

Jerry and Barbara Sandoz, who will be serving under OMS International in Korea, ministered to us through personal testimonies, music, and a color slide presentation. Our WMU has an active financial part in their support.

Gary Fawver, director of Camp Tilikum Retreat Center, was a recent Sunday morning pulpit guest speak-

ing on the subject of Family Worship.

In a Newberg Area pulpit exchange, Roger Knox, pastor of the North Valley Friends Church, preached here. Our pastor, Lloyd Melhorn, preached at both morning services at Newberg Friends Church.

The Sherwood High School baccalaureate was held in our church again this year.

Following the Family Hour of June 1, we had a reception in honor of our seven high school and two college graduates. They were each presented with a gift from the Sunday school.

SOUTHEAST, Salem, Ohio

On May 2 and 3 a musical festival was held in Wilmore, Kentucky, sponsored by Asbury Theological Seminary and called ICHTHUS. There were 12,000 young people in attendance, of whom 19 were from Southeast Friends Church. There were classes on evangelism and workshops for the young people in the daytime, and in the evenings there were many nationally known singing groups to minister through music. At night everyone slept in tents on those lovely rolling hills of Kentucky. On the return trip, our 19 people stopped at Westgate Friends Church in Columbus, where they visited one of the Sunday morning services and then were served a lunch by Westgate before completing their journey.

Our Mother-Daughter Banquet was held with Barbara and Jeanne Brantingham as our honored guests. Our theme was "Dare to Care of Living Letters."

SPRINGFIELD, Ohio

Minnie Knots was chosen for our "WOMAN of the Year" award on Mother's Day. She is one of our senior citizens, a faithful member, attending services as often as her health permits. She was presented with two record albums and a lovely corsage. To all our congregation, she is just "Aunt Minnie," and we congratulate her. She has been an inspiration and a blessing to us, and we are all richer for her shining Christian witness to the young generation, as well as to the adult members.

TECUMSEH, Michigan

The Tecumseh Friends Junior Church just completed a series of three lessons on Rough Rock Friends Mission in Rocky Mountain Yearly Meeting.

For handwork they made wall

hangings in a Navajo Indian Rug design. Also they made a model of the mission compound. The children collected items for use in mission Bible school work.

Along with the gifts they sent a letter of greetings, with each child signing his or her own name on the page of signatures, and a picture of the group was attached.

TRINITY, Van Wert, Ohio

A mini Lay Witness Mission was held recently with 25 young people in attendance. The theme was RWSAF—Renewal with Self and Friends. Chalk art and music were performed by Beth and Marty Runnion and Jeff Arn, local young people of Antioch Chapel Friends Church. This mission was a stay at home overnight with local leaders. Leaders for the boys' sessions were Allen Mefferd and Harold Murphy; for the girls Dianne Roudabush, Helen Murphy, and Cheryl Busher. Spiritual emphasis was placed on understanding oneself and people around us.

UNIVERSITY, Wichita, Kansas

Our meeting extends congratulations to several members, including: Luis Casado, who was honored by Friends University with the degree, Doctor of Public Service; Bruce Cutler was honored by Southwestern College with the degree, Doctor of Humane Letters; Lester and Nelle Barrington as they celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary May 25, 1975, and Harley and Dora Davis on their 60th June 20, 1975.

Recent guests in our meeting were George Boobyer of England, an authority on the New Testament, and Anna Nixon, missionary to India.

Martha Davis is participating in this summer's Quaker Youth Pilgrimage, while Peggy King and Janette Kelly will be working in London, England, with the Service Civil International.

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat was the modern musical performed by our choir recently, telling the story of Joseph in his beautiful coat.

WESTGATE, Columbus, Ohio

Westgate Friends Church honored three mothers on Mother's Day. Receiving potted plants were the oldest

mother, the newest mother, and the mother with the most children.

Three fathers were recognized on their special day also. During the Sunday morning service, a young father, a middle-aged father, and an older father shared what Christ has meant in their lives.

WEST MANSFIELD, Ohio

A most interesting and informative Bible study has been used for new converts at our prayer meetings since our spring revival. We have just finished the study of Colossians and Philippians. We were led in "round-table" discussion at the informal sessions by Ralph Eastman.

Cheri Berry had as guest for her Good News Club for school children of the community Betty Joan Smith of Urbana with her ventriloquist, Andy. All who attended were very impressed with the presentation of the Gospel by this means. We highly recommend Miss Smith for work in Bible schools or youth meetings.

For Mother's Day, Christine Hobart had her nursery children sing two numbers for the mothers, and they also presented to each mother a small flower arrangement they had made. Mrs. Hobart has been working with these children during our regular church service.

WYANDOTTE, Oklahoma

We held VBS weekly on Wednesday for 10 weeks with an enrollment of 57. Little Meeting meets each Thursday afternoon with a Bible lesson approach. The older boys and girls attend classes on Friends beliefs, taught by Mamie Frazier. Edith Williams sponsors a youth group of 15, and the young women meet each Tuesday afternoon for sharing. The USFW meets regularly for continued study, and the men have started a prayer breakfast each Saturday morning at 7, with six attending.

Iowa YM provided us with a bus this year, which we have enjoyed very much. We received Christmas funds from several yearly meetings.

Pearl Hall resigned as presiding clerk of the meeting after serving in this capacity for 40 years. She moved from the community. Ralph Cantwell is the new clerk.

All in all we had a very good year at Wyandotte. We are slowly but surely growing and can see the wonderful way Christ is working.



Tecumseh Friends Junior Church

Friends record

BIRTHS

ALLARD—A son, Brett Alan, to Tom and Kathy Allard of Las Animas, Colorado, February 7, 1975.

BECKNELL—A son, Jonathan Micha, March 25, 1975, to Mr. and Mrs. David Becknell of Evangelical Friends, Omaha, Nebraska.

BEUTLER—A daughter, Ruth Ann, May 15, 1975, to Ralph and Marian Beutler of Denver, Colorado.

CALDWELL—To Byron and Marcia Caldwell of Nampa Friends, Idaho, a daughter, Traci Anne, April 15, 1975.

CLAYTON—A son, William Howard, May 20, 1975, to Howard and Barbara Clayton, Burundi, Africa.

CONANT—A son, Gaylen David, March 23, 1975, to Ray and LuAnn Conant of Evangelical Friends, Omaha, Nebraska.

CORNWALL—To Steve and Pam Cornwall of Nampa Friends, Idaho, a son, Scott Michael, February 17, 1975.

COTT—To Ruth and Dan Cott of University Meeting, Wichita, a daughter, Tiffany Lorraine, May 2, 1975.

CUTHRELL—A son by adoption, Byron Eugene, to Pastor Carl and Lorene Marshall Cuthrell of Rescue Friends Church, born March 8, 1975.

DURHAM—To Joe and Rosemary Durham of Bethany, Oklahoma, a son, Gregory Alan, May 22, 1975.

FILP—A daughter, Brooke Andrea, May 15, 1975, to Mr. and Mrs. Tim Filp, Damascus, Ohio.

FISHER—A son, Jeffery Robert, April 20, 1975, to Dean and Mary Fisher, Alliance, Ohio.

HICKMAN—A daughter, Sarah Danae, May 10, 1975, to David and Jan Hickman, pastors, Denver, Colorado.

HOWARD—A daughter, Audrey Vernyl, May 11, 1975, to Roger and Judy Howard, Columbus, Ohio.

LUPTON—To Kirk and Lorraine Lupton, University Friends, Wichita, a son, Jamie Clare, May 1, 1975.

MERCER—A son, Peter Michael, May 20, 1975, to Fred and Mary Ellen Mercer of Wiggins, Colorado, Friends.

MILLER—A daughter, Rebekah Ruth, born September 25, 1974, adopted by Dr. David and Judy Miller of First Denver Friends.

NORTON—To Chris and Vicki Norton of Friendswood, Texas, a son, Sean Christopher, May 14, 1975.

PHILLIPS—A son, Michael Dwight, May 18, 1975, to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Phillips, Damascus, Ohio.

REA—A son, Joseph Michael, May 6, 1975, to Dan and Mary Kay Rea, Salem, Ohio.

MARRIAGES

ALLEN-HOUGHTON. Linda Allen and Gregory Houghton, June 7, 1975, Altamont, Missouri.

ARNDT-PRIBBENOW. Allene Arndt and Will F. Pribbenow, May 10, 1975, at Rose Hill, Kansas.

AUFANCE - RICHARDSON. Carol Aufance and Allen Richardson, May

25, 1975, Alliance Friends Church, Alliance, Ohio.

AYERS-JAY. Judith Ayers and David Jay, May 24, 1975, Opolis, Kansas.

BLAIR-MOORMANN. Laurel Blair and Tom Moormann, June 4, 1975, Bryon, New York.

BORK-ANDERSON. Susan Bork and Max Anderson, March 8, 1975, New Hope Friends, Hay Springs, Nebraska.

CALDWELL - WOOD. Donna Kay Caldwell and Gerald Richard Wood, May 3, 1975, at Texas City, Texas.

CLOUD-MULKEY. Debbie Cloud and Ronald Mulkey, May 31, 1975, Silverton Friends, Oregon.

DRONEBARGER - DRONEBARGER. Evelyn Dronebarger and Milton Dronebarger, May 3, 1975, at Bethany Friends, Wadsworth, Ohio.

ELLYSON-YODER. Denean Ellyson and Frank Yoder, May 3, 1975, Salem First Friends, Salem, Ohio.

FIELD-TAYLOR. Debbie Field and Joe Taylor, April 26, 1975, Reedwood Friends, Portland, Oregon.

GRAHAM-KEITH. Rhonda Graham and Cary Keith, June 7, 1975, Liberal, Kansas.

GRILLS-VAUGHN. Cathy Grills and Dana Vaughn, May 23, 1975, Friendswood Friends, Texas.

HEIN-LOCKWOOD. Dianne Hein and Stephen Lockwood, June 7, 1975, Gate Friends, Oklahoma.

HEMPHILL-DYCK. Karen Hemphill and Harold Dyck, May 31, 1975, Belle Plaine, Kansas.

HENRY-CHURCH. Donna M. Henry to William R. Church III, April 26,

1975, First Friends Church, Bellefontaine, Ohio.

KNIGHT-RHODES. Martha Knight and Don Rhodes, May 17, 1975, Sherwood Friends, Oregon.

LOWE-HILL. Shana Laurie Lowe to William Bradford Hill, Jr., of Friendswood, Texas, Saturday, June 28, 1975.

MEEKER-KROLL. Darlene Meeker of Newberg Friends, Oregon, and Michael Kroll of Colfax, Washington, May 24, 1975.

MINTHORNE-SARGENT. Louise Minthorne and Roger Sargent, June 7, 1975, Sherwood Friends, Oregon.

PATTERSON-POWERS. Marilyn Patterson and Duane Powers, May 24, 1975, Northridge Friends, Wichita, Kansas.

PRICE-SANDOZ. Barbara Price of York, Pennsylvania, and Jerry Sandoz of Newberg Friends, Oregon, March 8, 1975.

RUSSELL-NORTON. Pam Russell and Bob Norton, May 24, 1975, Longview, Texas.

THOMPSON-LORA. Delma Thompson and Art Lora, April 27, 1975, East Goshen Friends, Beloit, Ohio.

VOGT-TROST. Patty Vogt and Rick Trost, May 3, 1975, Greenleaf, Idaho.

DEATHS

AGNEW—Victor Agnew, 51, Adrian, Michigan, January 23, 1975.

CAUDILL—Wm. J. Caudill, 37, May 19, 1975, Fulton Creek Friends, Radnor, Ohio.

COTTRILL—Gladys Cottrill, 77, Urbana, Ohio, May 18, 1975.

COX—Rosella Cox of Hasty Friends, Colorado, January 15, 1975.

DAVIS—Jesse Davis, Homeworth, Ohio, April 26, 1975.

GFELLER—Albert Gfeller, North Benton, Ohio, April 14, 1975.

HARDEN—Agnes Harden, 65, North Benton, Ohio, April 1, 1975.

JONES—William Albert Jones, 77, Van Wert, Ohio, May 24, 1975.

MADDEN—Isobel Madden, 83 (mother of Ruth Miller), June 6, 1975. Death and burial at Henrietta, Oklahoma.

MARDOCK—Hubert Mardock, May 21, 1975, Wichita, Kansas.

MARLER—Stacy Edward Marler, 5, traffic accident, Cardington, Ohio, May 2, 1975.

PARKER—Gwendolen S. Parker, 81, of Newberg, Oregon, May 7, 1975.

PEARCE—Leonard Pearce, Damascus, Ohio, April 28, 1975.

PITTS—Chester Pitts, June 8, 1975, Booker, Texas.

RITTER—Emerson Ritter, 82, Springfield, Ohio, May 7, 1975.

RUTHLEDGE—Kenneth Ruthledge, Van Wert, Ohio, April 24, 1975.

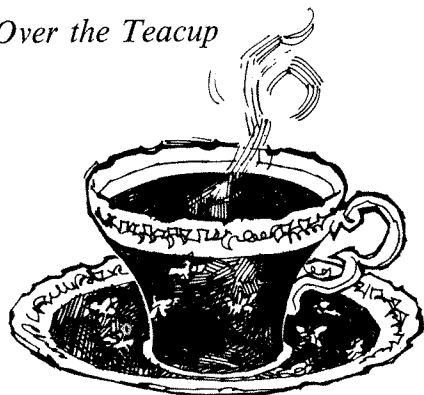
SMITH—Heather Marie Smith, 13 month, Marengo, Ohio, May 21, 1975.

SMITH—Marita Z. Smith (wife of Dorwin Smith, pastor), 62, of Tigard Friends, Oregon, June 4, 1975.

SMITH—Violette Emily Smith of Hasty Friends, Colorado, January 19, 1975.

WILLIAMS—Ettaline Williams, 51, Bellefontaine, Ohio, May 2, 1975.

Over the Teacup



Bicentennials

By CATHERINE CATTELL

Hello! Do you know what we are doing in our city to celebrate 200 years of freedom from the British? You'll never guess! We are painting our fire hydrants to look like famous men of the Revolution! That is only one thing. You probably have been getting two minutes each evening on happenings 200 years ago. Most of them have to do with the struggle to be free.

Although I have lived in America less than half of my life, I think I have loved

her more and honored her history and thought of her as a Christian country. I, too, would like to join in a kind of celebration, but what I was thinking of had little to do with fire hydrants.

Some people are having interesting programs using real oil lamps, dressing in old-fashioned clothes, and reliving the good old days for an evening. I like that! I love pioneer stories, particularly of Quakers. They were so full of principle, courage, and those strong virtues that make a strong people.

Those strong virtues are the things I wish we as Quakers could celebrate this year. Quaker Oats has taken a long successful ride on the honest values that went with the name *Quaker*. It used to be synonymous—Quaker equalled integrity. That would be a great value to celebrate and put back into circulation. Simplicity is another. Uncomplicated speech, manner of life, transparency, and just cutting away the superfluous—all these need a fresh look, don't you think? I ponder over the words of Jesus, "You are truly my disciples if you live as I tell you to." (John 8:31 LB)

Quakers were great on concerns, remember? Men and women traveled over

the known world—unknown, as well—with concerns to share Christ and the principle of peace, as well as the Prince of Peace! Now that South Vietnamese have come onto our shores by the thousands, some of us won't have to go far to find a field for concern. Friends were going strong 200 years ago—stronger 300 years ago. They were respected as a godly people. They were just plain respected. They were salt in a decaying society.

Could we celebrate by stressing these virtues, not just talking about them but living by them again seriously? We don't have to repeat their mistakes, nor their oddities, but what we have done in so many ways is to love that quality of life that is essential to true followers of Christ.

We get our name from the verse, "Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you." Let's keep being His Friends.

And let's celebrate His standards, which go back not hundreds of years, but thousands!

Let them paint the fire hydrants. Let us put back into circulation the integrity and virtues that made us strong! □

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